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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1 Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Chesla Mark			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol American Water Works Company, Inc. [AWK]						Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/13/2012						Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President & Controller			
VOORHEE		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
		Pe					Person					
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/D	Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)					
				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	03/13/2012	03/13/20	012	M		4,052	A	\$ 21.5	7,992	D		
Common Stock	03/13/2012	03/13/20	012	M		6,368	A	\$ 21.5	14,360	D		
Common Stock	03/13/2012	03/13/20	012	S		4,052	D	\$ 34.39	10,308	D		
Common	03/13/2012	03/13/20	012	S		6,368	D	\$ 34 39	3,940	D		

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.5	03/13/2012	03/13/2012	M	4,052	<u>(1)</u>	12/31/2013	Common Stock	4,052
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.5	03/13/2012	03/13/2012	M	6,368	<u>(2)</u>	12/31/2014	Common Stock	6,368

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

Chesla Mark 1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD VOORHEES, NJ 08043

Vice President & Controller

Signatures

/s/ Karen K. Pettiford-Wilson by Power of Attorney previously filed 03/15/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The Option Award granted on April 22, 2008, representing a right to purchase a total of 4,052 shares at \$21.50, became exercisable on January 1, 2010.
- (2) The Option Award granted on April 22, 2008, representing a right to purchase a total of 6,368 shares at \$21.50, became exercisable on January 1, 2011.

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