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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* DEBENEDICTIS NICHOLAS						AQL	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AQUA AMERICA INC [WTR]											p of Reportir blicable) tor		(s) to	
(Last) 762 W L		(Firs	,	/liddle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004									X	Officer (give title below) CHAIRMAN &		Other (s below) PRESIDENT		
(Street) BRYN MAWR PA 19010 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																					
Date					2. Transac Date (Month/Da	.	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. and 5)				. 3, 4 S		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
			Code	v	Amount				(A) or (D)	Pric	e	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130. 4)		(Instr. 4)					
Common Stock 12/3						2004 12		2/31/2004		G	V	251		D	\$ <mark>0</mark>		398,534		D		
COMMON STOCK - IRA																	2	2,455	D		
COMMON STOCK - IRA																	1	1,964	I		IRA - SPOUSE
COMMON STOCK 401K																	8	3,370	D		
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)	rivative conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security Derivative Security Date (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) 8					4. Transac Code (Ir 8)	saction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			6. Date Ex Expiration (Month/D	e ar) xpiration	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4)					9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owne Form Direc or Ind (I) (In 4)	(D) lirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

Barbara Cummings 01/03/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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

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