Instruction 1(b).

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## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Essential Utilities</u> , <u>Inc.</u> [ WTRG ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
Hilferty Daniel J III												X Dire	ctor		10% O	wner	
(Last) 762 W LA	) (First) (Middle) W LANCASTER AVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2022							Offic belo	er (give title w)		Other ( below)	specify
							ment, Date o	d (Month/Day		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)							
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		Table	e I - Nor	n-Deriva	ative S	ecu	rities Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of,	or Be	nefici	ally Owr	ned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/Date)				2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactio Code (Instr 8)					nd Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
						Code	ode V Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock 12/20/2					2022			A		591	Α	\$ <mark>46</mark> .	56 2	4,603	D		
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Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of		3A. Dee Executio if any	med	4. 5. Number Transaction Code (Instr. Derivative			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Amount of Securities					8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial	Ow	nership	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershi

Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					

Explanation of Responses:

## Brian J Dingerdissen, attorney-in-fact for Mr.

12/20/2022

Hilferty

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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