FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  DEBENEDICTIS NICHOLAS						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AQUA AMERICA INC [ WTR ]									Relationsh heck all ap X Dire	plicable)	ng Person(s) to	Issuer Owner			
(Last) 762 W L	ANCAS	(Firs		Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/13/2004									belo	′	Other (specify below)  \$ PRESIDENT			
(Street)	IAWR	PA	1	9010		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Lir	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)		(Sta		Zip)																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date				2. Transac	Execution Date,			3. Transac Code (Ir 8)	4. Secur	I. Securities Acquired (A) o				ed nount of rities ficially d wing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
										Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Repo Trans	Reported Fransaction(s) Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common	Stock				09/13/2	2004				G	V	100 D		D	\$(	) 4	01,111	D			
Common	mon Stock 09/13/2004					2004	,			G	V	50 D		D	\$(	) 4	01,061	D			
COMMO	N STOC	CK -	IRA													2,455 D					
COMMON STOCK - IRA																	1,964	I	IRA - SPOUSE		
COMMON STOCK 401K														8,370	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)	2. Convers or Exerc Price of Derivati Security	ise ve	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	th/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 8)		4. Transac Code (Ir 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		rative rities iired r osed )	6. Date E: Expiratio (Month/D	e ear)	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			

Explanation of Responses:

Barbara Cummings

 $\underline{09/24/2004}$ 

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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