## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> LIPTAK ROBERT G					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AQUA AMERICA INC [ WTR ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last)	`	(First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2004									C Offic below	er (give title w)	Oth	er (specify w)	
762 W LANCASTER AVE.														Aqı	Aqua America Northern Oper.			
(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. In Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
BRYN MAWR PA 19010														2	K Form	Form filed by One Reporting Person		
(City) (State) (Zip)															Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
Date				Date	e   onth/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction D			I. Securities Acquired ( Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)			Secur	icially d	6. Ownershi Form: Direc (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D	) or )	rice	Repor Trans		(Insu: 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 09/01/2					004				<b>J</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	v	100		A	\$17.4	1	0,996	D	
COMMON STOCK 401K														1	3,722	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)	ive Conversion Date Execut y or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		emed ion Date, h/Day/Year)	n Date, Transacti Code (Ins		ion of Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		r.	. Price f erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (E or Indire (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership	

Explanation of Responses:

1. PURCHASE OF SHARES THROUGH 423B EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN UNDER

Barbara Cummings signing for 09/24/2004

Robert Liptak

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $^{\ast}$  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).

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