## 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 <sup>*</sup><br>DEBENEDICTIS NICHOLAS                    |   |  |  |        |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>AQUA AMERICA INC [ WTR ] |                    |      |  |    |                |   |                                | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>X Director 10% Owner |  |  |                          |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|--|--------|--|---|--------------------|------|--|----|----------------|---|--------------------------------|--|--|--|--------------------------|--|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>762 W LANCASTER AVE.  |   |  |  |        | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>02/28/2005 |   |                    |      |  |    |                |   | x                              | Office   | er (give title   |  | Other (specil<br>below)  |  |   |  |
| (Street)<br>BRYN MAWR PA 19010<br>(City) (State) (Zip)   |   |  |  |        | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)       |   |                    |      |  |    |                |   |                                | Line)  | <ul> <li>B. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting</li> <li>Person</li> </ul> |  |                          |  |   |  |
| Table I - Non-Deriva         1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)       2. Transact Date (Month/Date) |   |  |  |        | ction  | tion 2A. Deemed<br>Execution I  |                    |      | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr. and 5)                       |    |                | urities Acquired (<br>sed Of (D) (Instr.  |                                | (A) or   | 5. Amo<br>Securi<br>Benefi<br>Owned  | ount of<br>ties<br>cially  |                          | Direct   | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|  |   |  |  |        |  |   |                    | Code | V Amou   |    | nt (A<br>(D    | ) or P  | rice                           | Report<br>Transa   | Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |  | . 4)                     | (  |   |  |
| Common Stock   |   |  |  |        |  |   |                    |      |  |    |                |   |                                |  | 41   | 4,445  |                          | D  |   |  |
| COMMON STOCK - IRA   |   |  |  |        |  |   |                    |      |  |    |                |   |                                |  | 2  | ,455   |                          | D  |   |  |
| COMMON STOCK 401K  |   |  |  |        |  |   |                    |      |  |    |                |   |                                | 8  | 8,370  |  | D                        |  |   |  |
| COMMON STOCK - IRA   |   |  |  |        |  |   |                    |      |  |    |                |   |                                |  | 1  | ,964   |                          |  | IRA -<br>SPOUSE   |  |
|  |   | Т  | able II                                  |        |  |   |                    |      | uired, Dis<br>, options  |    |                |   |                                |  | Owned  |  | ,                        |  |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Dee<br>Executio<br>if any<br>(Month/ |        | 4.<br>Transac<br>Code (In<br>8)                                |   | 5. Number<br>on of |      | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |    |                | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |                                | 0<br>[]<br>[]<br>[]  | . Price<br>f<br>lecrivative<br>lecurity<br>nstr. 5)  | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficiall<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 4) | y D<br>(I)<br>(I)<br>(1) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr.<br>4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership   |  |
|  |   |  |  |        | Code   | v   | (A)                | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable  |    | piration<br>te | Title   | Amo<br>or<br>Num<br>of<br>Shar | ber  |  |  |                          |  |   |  |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>buy)  | \$24.445  | 02/28/2005                                 | 02/2                                     | 8/2005 | A  |   | 70,000             |      | (1)(2)   | 02 | /28/2015       | Commor<br>Stock   | 70,0                           | 000  | \$24.445   | 70,000   |                          | D  |   |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. 33% per year for 3 years.

2. 33% per year for 3 years.

## Barbara Cummings

03/03/2005

\*\* 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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