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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Addres Hester John F | ss of Reporting Persc | n* | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SOUTHWEST GAS CORP</u> [SWX] | | tionship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director | 10% Owner |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---|------------------------|--|---|
| (Last) 5241 SPRING M | (First) IOUNTAIN ROA | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2009 | X | Officer (give title below) Senior VP/Regulat | Other (specify below) ory Affairs |
| (Street) LAS VEGAS (City) | NV (State) | 89150-0002 (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) X | vidual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More that Person | orting Person |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transa Code (8) | | 4. Securities Disposed Of | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 09/01/2009 | | A | | 109.208 | A | \$23.98 | 22,978.3423 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/01/2009 | | A | | 83.3528 | A | \$23.98 | 23,061.6951 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/01/2009 | | A | | 33.9477 | A | \$23.98 | 23,095.6428 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/01/2009 | | A | | 23.2257 | A | \$23.98 | 3,061.2761 | I | By 401(k) |
| Common Stock | 09/01/2009 | | A | | 3.5284 | A | \$23.98 | 2,359.7993 | I | By Spouse |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 5,342.5148 | Ι | By IRA |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transa Code (8) | | 5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5 | ative rities ired osed . 3, 4 | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | ate | 7. Title Amour Securi Under Deriva Securi and 4) | nt of ties lying tive ty (Instr. 3 | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

| Karen W. Stanfield, POA |
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** Signature of Reporting Person

09/02/2009

Date

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

 * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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