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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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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* <u>GARDNER RICHARD M</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SOUTHWEST GAS CORP [ SWX ]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/10/2011</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
<u>5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD</u>			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						
(Street)	<u>LAS VEGAS</u>	<u>NV</u>	<u>89150-0002</u>						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	03/10/2011		M		3,000	A	\$29.08	14,359.8024	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2011		M		3,000	A	\$25	17,359.8024	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2011		M		3,000	A	\$22.85	20,359.8024	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2011		S		9,000	D	\$38.1118	11,359.8024	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. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	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
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$29.08	03/10/2011		M		3,000		05/04/2007	05/03/2016	Common Stock	3,000	\$38.1118	0.0000	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$25	03/10/2011		M		3,000		05/05/2006	05/04/2015	Common Stock	3,000	\$38.1118	0.0000	D	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.85	03/10/2011		M		3,000		05/06/2005	05/05/2014	Common Stock	3,000	\$38.1118	0.0000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Karen W. Stanfield, POA      03/11/2011  
 \*\* Signature of Reporting Person      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).

\*\* 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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