FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington,	D.C.	20549

Check this box if no longer subject to
Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5
obligations may continue. See
Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

OMB APPROVAL OMB Number: Estimated average burden hours per response: 0.5

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* Hester John P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHWEST GAS CORP [SWX]										k all app Dired	olicable) ctor	1	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2009										belov	′	below) gulatory Affai			
(Street) LAS VEC			89150-00 (Zip)	002	- 4. If	Ame	ndment,	, Date o	of Origina	d (Month/Da	ay/Ye	ear)		6. Indi Line) X	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Application Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				on	
		Tab	le I - No	n-Deriv	vative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired	, Dis	sposed o	f, c	r Bei	nefic	ially	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Ex r) if a	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4					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	Amount (A) or (D)		Pric	e		ted action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾				03/02/2009					A		100.198	32	A	\$18.47		22,448.9805		D		
Common Stock ⁽²⁾			03/02/2009					A		77.0081		A	\$1	8.47	22,525.9886		D			
Common	Stock ⁽³⁾			03/02	/2009				A		40.8093 A		\$1	8.47	22,566.7979		D			
Common	non Stock ⁽⁴⁾				03/02/2009				A		39.905	5	A	\$18.47		3,014.2006		I		By 401(k)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾				03/02/2009					A		4.2415		A	\$1	\$18.47		2,352.4079			By Spouse
Common Stock																	5,342.51			By IRA
	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 2. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 6. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year) 8. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year) 8. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year)				n Date,		5. Number of Derivative Securitie Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		rative rities ired r osed)	6. Date Expirati (Month/	on Da		Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		f nstr. 3 mount	Der Sec (Ins	vative urity ir. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Direct or India (I) (Inst	D) ect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Code V		v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	n (ımber nares									

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares acquired pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the Dividend Reinvestment & Stock Purchase Plan.
- $2. \ Shares \ acquired \ pursuant \ to \ the \ stock \ dividend/dividend \ reinvestment \ feature \ of \ the \ SWX \ restricted \ stock \ plan.$
- 3. Shares acquired pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the SWX 2006 Restricted Stock Plan.
- 4. Shares acquired pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the SWX 401(k) Plan.

Remarks:

Karen W. Stanfield, POA

03/03/2009

** 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.