

Strauss Mark F.
Form 4
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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 OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Strauss Mark F.

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
American Water Works Company,
Inc. [AWK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/25/2010

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
President, AWE

VOORHEES, NJ 08043

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Applicable Line)
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Person

(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	(D)	Price

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	02/25/2010	02/25/2010	A	3,065		<u>(1)</u>		12/31/2012		Common Stock	3,065
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.31	02/25/2010	02/25/2010	A	17,422		<u>(2)</u>		12/31/2016		Common Stock	17,422

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Strauss Mark F.
1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD
VOORHEES, NJ 08043

President, AWE

Signatures

/s/ Karen K. Pettiford-Wilson by Power of Attorney previously
filed

03/01/2010

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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1. Each performance stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of American Water's (the "Company") common stock. The actual number of performance stock units that may be earned will be based on the Company's annual total stockholder return ("TSR") relative to the performance of the other companies in the Dow Jones U.S. Utility Index over the three-year performance period beginning on January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2012. The number of performance stock units shown in column 5 is equal to the target number of performance stock units that may be earned.
- (2) 2. The options vest in three equal installments on January 1, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

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