

Patterson William  
Form 4  
March 01, 2010

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Patterson William

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)  
SVP, Corp & Business Development

VOORHEES, NJ 08043

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
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		3,314		12/31/2012	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock		3,314
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.31	02/25/2010	02/25/2010	A		18,834		12/31/2016	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock		18,834

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Patterson William  
1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD  
VOORHEES, NJ 08043

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

SVP, Corp & Business Development

## 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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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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