American Water Works Company, Inc. Form 4 August 17, 2010 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading STERBA JEFFRY E Issuer Symbol American Water Works Company, (Check all applicable) Inc. [AWK] 10% Owner (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD 08/15/2010 President and CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting VOORHEES, NJ 08043 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial anv (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (T) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form

> number. Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed of				
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.66	08/15/2010	08/15/2010	A	25,000		08/15/2012	08/15/2017	Common Stock	25,000
Reporting Owners										
Reporting O	wner Name / A	Relatio	nships							

	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
STERBA JEFFRY E 1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD VOORHEES, NJ 08043			President and CE	0	
Signatures					
/s/ Karen K. Pettiford-Wilson by Power of Attorney previously filed					
<u>**</u> Signature of I	Reporting Per	son		Date	

Explanation of Responses:

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

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