

ARTESIAN RESOURCES CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
THAEDER JOHN M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**ARTESIAN RESOURCES CORP
 [ARTNA]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
757 MEADOWBANK RD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
07/19/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 V.P. of Operations

KENNETT SQUARE, PA 19348
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 | |
| Class A Non-Voting Common Stock | 07/19/2005 | | X | | 1,000 | A | \$ 14 5,160 | D |
| Class A Non-Voting Common Stock | | | | | | | 3,579 | I 401k plan |

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 (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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 14 | 07/19/2005 | | X | 1,000 | 05/18/2000 ⁽¹⁾ 05/18/2009 | Class A Non-Voting Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| THAEDER JOHN M 757 MEADOWBANK RD KENNETT SQUARE, PA 19348 | | | V.P. of Operations | |

Signatures

John M. Thaeder
07/21/2005
**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) shares become exercisable in 20% annual increments over five years beginning one year from the date of grant

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