MIDDLESEX WATER CO

Form 4

March 02, 2005

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| Form 5 obligations may continue <i>See</i> Instruction 1(b). | Section 17(a) of | f the Public Utilit | Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section of the Investment Company Act of 1940 | | | | | | | | |
| (Print or Type Resp | onses) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Addre OCONNOR A | ess of Reporting Perso BRUCE | Symbol | | | _ | Iss | Relationship of R uer | deporting Pers | on(s) to | | |
| | | MIDDLES | | | [MSE. | XJ | (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| (Last) | (First) (Middl | , | | action | | | | | | | |
| 32 BUCKINGF | HAM WAY | (Month/Day/\) 03/01/2005 | | | | | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President & CFO | | | | |
| (Street) 4. If Amendm Filed(Month/D | | | | Original | | Ap | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | |
| FREEHOLD, N | NJ 07728-3172 | | | | | Per | Form filed by Mo | re than One Rep | porting | | |
| (City) | (State) (Zip) | Table I - | Non-Deri | vative Sec | curities | Acquire | ed, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y Owned | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Secur or(A) or E (Instr. 3 | Oisposed , 4 and 5 (A) or | of (D) | 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) | | |
| Common Stock (Restricted Stock) | | | | | . (= / | | 6,633 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 8,200 | D | | | |
| Common Stock (Dividend Reinvestment) | 03/01/2005 | | A | 136 | A | \$ 17.96 | 4,134 | D | | | |
| | 03/01/2005 | | A | 17 | A | | 1,837 | I | | | |

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| Common Stock (Dividend Reinvestment) | | | | | \$ 17.96 | | | Custodial Account Spouse for Daughter Molly O'Connor |
|---|------------|---|---|---|-------------|-------|---|---|
| Common Stock (Dividend Reinvestment) | 03/01/2005 | A | 9 | A | \$ 17.96 | 1,012 | I | Custodial Account Spouse for Son Alexander O'Connor |

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5 | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Tit | le and | 8. Price of | |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------|-------|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------|------------|-------------|---|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transa | ction | Number | Expiration D | ate | Amou | ınt of | Derivative | 1 |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | C | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Unde | rlying | Security | |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. | 8) I | Derivative | e | | Secur | ities | (Instr. 5) | i |
| | Derivative | | | | S | Securities | | | (Instr | . 3 and 4) | | |
| | Security | | | | A | Acquired | | | | | | J |
| | | | | | (| (A) or | | | | | | J |
| | | | | | Ι | Disposed | | | | | | |
| | | | | | C | of (D) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | (| Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | | | Amount | | |
| | | | | | | | Date | Expiration | Title | Number | | |
| | | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | 11116 | of | | |
| | | | | Code | V (| (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |
| | | | | Code | v (| (\mathbf{A}) (\mathbf{D}) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |

OCONNOR A BRUCE 32 BUCKINGHAM WAY FREEHOLD, NJ 07728-3172

Vice President & CFO

Reporting Owners 2

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Signatures

/s/Kenneth J. Quinn, Power of Attorney for A. Bruce O'Connor

03/02/2005

**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).

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