FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BIEHL GEORGE C					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHWEST GAS CORP [ SWX ]							(Che	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
DIETIL GEORGE C													X	Directo	r		10% Ow	/ner		
(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)							- $X$	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				pecify		
5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD					08	08/01/2006									Exec VP/CFO/Corporate Sec					
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
LAS VEGAS NV 891500002					Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person										ı					
(City) (State) (Zip)															Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D						Execution Date,			, Tran Cod	3. Transaction Code (Instr. : 5)  8)  4. Securities Acquired (Disposed Of (D) (Instr. : 5)					5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	es Form ally (D) o following (I) (In		: Direct I r Indirect I str. 4)	7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Cod	e V	Amount	nount (A) or (D)		Price	Transact	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		[	instr. 4)			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security			ate, Ti	Code (Instr.		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		ecurity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				c	code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	O N O	umber						
Stock Option (right to buy) 2006	\$33.07	08/01/2006			A		11,000		08/01/20	007 <sup>(1)</sup>	07/31/2016	Commo	<sup>n</sup> 1	1,000	\$33.07	11,00	0	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Options vest in 3 annual installments of 40% in 2007; 30% in 2008; and 30% in 2009.

## Remarks:

By: Kathy M. Bailey, POA 08/02/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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