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* <u>Hester John P</u>				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHWEST GAS CORP [ SWX ]										(Check all ap Dire		olicable) ctor		Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2009										X	Officer (give title below)  Senior VP/Reg		belov	,
(Street) LAS VE			89150-00 (Zip)	002	4. If	Ame	ndment	, Date o	of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Indiv ₋ine) X				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transparent				2. Transa Date			2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transa Code (	ction					or 5. 1 and 5) Se Be		ount of ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Pric	e	Repor Transa (Instr.	ted action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock				06/01/2009					A		118.726	53	A	\$21.82		22,739.7953		D	
Common Stock			06/01/2009					A		90.617	3	A	\$21.82		22,830.4126		D		
Common	ommon Stock			06/01/2009					A		36.906	8	A	\$21.82		22,867.3194		D	
Common	Stock			06/01/	/2009				A		26.264	8	A	\$2	1.82	3,0	40.4654	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock				06/01/2009					A		3.8359		A	\$21.82		2,356.2438		I	By Spouse
Common Stock																	342.51	I	By IRA
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deer Execution if any (Month/E	n Date,	4. Transactio Code (Inst 8)		on of		6. Date   Expirati (Month/	on Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins and 4)		ı	Deri Sec		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
		Code V (A) (D)		(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	or Numb of Title Share		mber									

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

Karen W. Stanfield, POA 06/03/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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