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* SHAW JEFFREY W						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHWEST GAS CORP [ SWX ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	(Fi		(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2011									cer (give title w)	CEO	Other (s below)		
(Street) LAS VEGAS NV 89150-0002						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)											Person					
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deri	vativ	e Sec	curit	ies Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Own	ed				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 at			Secur Benef Owne	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)	Price	Report Trans (Instr.	ted action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 01/03/20						)11			M		36,600	A	\$33.07	159	154.2468		D		
Common Stock 01/03/20					2011	)11			S		36,600	D	\$37.571	6 122	554.2468		D		
Common Stock													83	38.8308			By 401(k)		
		-	Table II								posed of, convertil			Owne	i		<u> </u>		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	ate Execution   Ex	on Date, Tran		ansaction ode (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Exerc tion Da //Day/Y			ties g e Security	8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securitie	Ow For Oir Oir Or (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$33.07	01/03/2011			M			36,600	08/01/2	2007	07/31/2016	Common Stock	36,600	\$37.571	6 0.000	00	D		

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Karen W. Stanfield, POA

01/04/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

- \* 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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