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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>MAFFIE MICHAEL O</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHWEST GAS CORP [SWX]		ationship of Reporting P k all applicable) Director	erson(s) to Issuer				
L (Last) (Eirst) (Middlo)		(<i>'</i> ,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/17/2005		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)				
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applica Line)					
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Person					

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. Transa Code (8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common stock	03/17/2005		S		2,000	D	\$25.1	38,728	D	
Common stock	03/17/2005		S		5,200	D	\$25.05	33,528	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		nd 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		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)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						

Explanation of Responses:

<u>By: Kathy M. Bailey, POA</u>

03/18/2005

Date

** 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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