

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES

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Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wikle Melissa K. (Last) (First) (Middle) 1 WATER STREET (Street) CAMDEN, NJ 08102-1658 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol American Water Works Company, Inc. [AWK]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director _____ 10% Owner ☒ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) SVP, Chief Accounting Officer
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) 2/17/2026		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person ☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	2/17/2026		A		608 (1)	A	\$0	7,862	D	
Common Stock	2/17/2026		A		1,064 (2)	A	\$0	8,926	D	
Common Stock	2/17/2026		F		543	D	\$133.51	8,383	D	

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Represents shares underlying an award of restricted stock units (RSUs) granted on February 17, 2026, under the American Water Works Company, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Equity Compensation Plan. These awards will vest in three approximately equal increments on January 31, 2027, 2028 and 2029, subject to continued employment on each vesting date and applicable continued vesting provisions in the event of retirement. RSUs are settled solely by the delivery of one share of common stock per RSU (and may not be settled in cash).
- (2) Represents shares vested pursuant to one or more awards of performance stock units (PSUs) granted in February 2023 under the American Water Works Company, Inc. 2017 Omnibus Equity Compensation Plan. These awards vested on February 17, 2026. PSUs are settled solely by the delivery of one share of common stock per PSU (and may not be settled in cash).

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Wikle Melissa K. 1 WATER STREET CAMDEN, NJ 08102-1658			SVP, Chief Accounting Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey M. Taylor, as attorney-in-fact for Melissa K. Wikle

2/18/2026

--Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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