

American Water Works Company, Inc.
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Strauss Mark F.

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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/16/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP, Corp Strategy & Bus. Develop

VOORHEES, NJ 08043

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transaction 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 02/16/2016 | | A | | 673 ⁽¹⁾ | A | \$ 0 31,669 | D |

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

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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. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Performance Stock Unit | (2) | 02/16/2016 | | A | 855 | (2) 12/31/2018(3) | Common Stock | 855 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 65.15 | 02/16/2016 | | A | 6,649 | (4) 12/31/2022 | Common Stock | 6,649 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Strauss Mark F. 1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD VOORHEES, NJ 08043 | | | SVP, Corp Strategy & Bus. Develop | |

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey M. Taylor, as attorney-in-fact for Mark F. Strauss
 02/18/2016
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The shares indicated constitute restricted stock units that settle in common stock on a one share per unit basis. The restricted stock units vest in three equal installments on January 1, 2017, 2018 and 2019.
 Each performance stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of American Water Works Company, Inc. (the "Company"). The actual number of performance stock units that may be earned will be based on the Company's total stockholder return ("TSR") over a three-year performance period, beginning on January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2018. The number of performance stock units shown in column 5 is equal to the target number of performance stock units that may be earned.
- (2) Represents the end of the performance period to which the performance stock units relate.
- (3) This option vests in three equal installments on January 1, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

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