

MIDDLESEX WATER CO  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
OCONNOR A BRUCE

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
32 BUCKINGHAM WAY  
(Street)

FREEHOLD, NJ 07728-3172

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MIDDLESEX WATER CO [MSEX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/23/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock (Restricted Stock)	10/02/2006		J	800 D \$ 19.25	0	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock (Restricted Stock)	10/02/2006		A	1,250 A \$ 19.25	6,983	D	
Common Stock	10/02/2006		J	800 A \$ 19.25	10,600	D <sup>(1)</sup>	
					4,876	D	

Common  
Stock  
(Dividend  
Reinvestment)

Common Stock (Dividend Reinvestment)	1,937	I	Custodial Account Spouse for Daughter Molly O'Connor
Common Stock (Dividend Reinvestment)	1,067	I	Custodial Account Spouse for Son Alexander O'Connor

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)

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other
OCONNOR A BRUCE 32 BUCKINGHAM WAY FREEHOLD, NJ 07728-3172	Vice President & CFO

## Signatures

/s/Kenneth J. Quinn, Power of Attorney for A. Bruce  
O'Connor

10/23/2006

\_\_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) These shares (800) were transferred to the Common Stock Account.

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