#### **DEBENEDICTIS NICHOLAS**

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## FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Addi<br>DEBENEDIC |                         | _  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AQUA AMERICA INC [WTR] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)                             |  |  |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----|---|--|--|--|
| (Last)                        | (Last) (First) (Middle) |    | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction   | (encen un appricaeie)  |  |  |
| 762 W LANCASTER AVE.          |                         | E. | (Month/Day/Year)<br>10/17/2005  | _X_ Director 10% Owner Specify below)  |  |  |
| (Street)                      |                         |    | 4. If Amendment, Date Original  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  |  |  |
| BRYN MAWR, PA 19010           |                         |    | Filed(Month/Day/Year)   | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |

| (City)                               | (State) (2                              | Zip) Table  | e I - Non-D                               | erivative S   | Securi           | ties Acquire  | d, Disposed of, or  | r Beneficially | Owned   |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------|------------------|---------------|---|----------------|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)<br>r) (Instr. 8) |               |                  | (D)           | 5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) |                | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|                                      |   |   | Code V                                    | Amount        | (A)<br>or<br>(D) | Price         | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)   | (Instr. 4)     |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 10/17/2005                              | 10/17/2005  | M   | 10,715        | A                | \$ 7.75       | 428,242.549   | D              |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 10/17/2005                              | 10/17/2005  | M   | 43,796        | A                | \$ 10.96      | 472,038.549   | D              |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 10/17/2005                              | 10/17/2005  | S   | 54,511<br>(1) | D                | \$<br>32.1724 | 417,527.549   | D              |   |
| COMMON<br>STOCK -<br>IRA             |   |   |   |               |                  |               | 2,455   | D              |   |
| COMMON<br>STOCK                      |   |   |   |               |                  |               | 8,370   | D              |   |

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| COMMON<br>STOCK -<br>IRA | 1,964  | I | IRA -<br>SPOUSE |

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | erivative Expiration Date eccurities (Month/Day/Year) cquired (A) Disposed of D) nstr. 3, 4, |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                     |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>buy)               | \$ 7.75   | 10/17/2005                              | 10/17/2005  | M                                      | 10,715   | 03/03/2000   | 03/03/2007         | Common<br>Stock   | 10,715                              |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)                        | \$ 10.96  | 10/17/2005                              | 10/17/2005  | M                                      | 43,796   | 03/01/2005   | 03/01/2009         | Common<br>Stock   | 43,796                              |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address             | Relationships |           |                      |       |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|--|--|--|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer              | Other |  |  |  |
| DEBENEDICTIS NICHOLAS 762 W LANCASTER AVE. | X             |           | CHAIRMAN & PRESIDENT |       |  |  |  |
| BRYN MAWR. PA 19010                        |               |           |                      |       |  |  |  |

## **Signatures**

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\*\*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) Shares sold in conjunction with 10b5-1 Plan

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