

SOUTHWEST GAS CORP

Form 4

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**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Hester John P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD

(Street)

LAS VEGAS, NV 891500002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
SOUTHWEST GAS CORP [SWX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/01/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

VP/Regulatory Affairs

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ 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<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Common<br>stock                       | 03/01/2006                              |                                                             | A <sup>(1)</sup>                        | 20                                                                      | A<br>\$<br>28.77                                                                                                   | 8,627                                                                | D                                       |
| Common<br>stock                       | 03/01/2006                              |                                                             | A <sup>(2)</sup>                        | 42                                                                      | A<br>\$<br>28.77                                                                                                   | 8,669                                                                | D                                       |
| Common<br>stock -<br>Spouse           | 03/01/2006                              |                                                             | A <sup>(2)</sup>                        | 2                                                                       | A<br>\$<br>28.77                                                                                                   | 322                                                                  | I By Spouse                             |
| Common<br>stock 401k                  | 03/01/2006                              |                                                             | A <sup>(3)</sup>                        | 18                                                                      | A<br>\$<br>28.77                                                                                                   | 2,757                                                                | I By 401(k)                             |
| Common<br>stock 401k                  | 03/01/2006                              |                                                             | A <sup>(3)</sup>                        | 43                                                                      | A<br>\$<br>28.77                                                                                                   | 6,299                                                                | I By Spouse<br>- 401(k)                 |

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. 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. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Report<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 6) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V (A) (D)                                                                                                          | Date<br>Exercisable                                            | Expiration<br>Date                                                        | Title                                               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                                                                                   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                        | Relationships                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                       | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Hester John P<br>5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD<br>LAS VEGAS, NV 891500002 | VP/Regulatory<br>Affairs         |

## Signatures

By: Kathy M.  
Bailey, POA 03/02/2006

\_\_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) Shares acquired pursuant to the dividend/dividend reinvestment feature of SWX restricted stock plan, dividend paid on 3/1/06 with a record date of 2/1/06.
- (2) Shares acquired pursuant to the dividend reinvestment plan, dividend paid on 3/1/06 with a record date of 2/15/06.
- (3) Shares acquired pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of SWX 401(k) plan, dividend paid 3/1/06.

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