FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SHEIN JEFFRIES					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLESEX WATER CO [ MSEX ]											olicable)	g Person(s) to I			
(Last) 717 OCE	(Fii	est) ( UE, APT. 1010	Middle)			. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 1/09/2009										Office	er (give title w)	Other below	(specify )	
(Street) WEST E. (City)			07740 Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Indiv Line) X	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person				
		Tabl	e I - Nor	n-Deriva	ative	Sec	curitie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	osed o	f, o	r Be	nefic	ially	Owne	ed			
Dat			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		)   E	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)						4 and Sed Bei Ow		ount of ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	or Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)		
Common	Stock															15	52,518	D		
Common Stock (Certificate Form)				01/07/	1/07/2009				S		650		D	\$1	6.82	17,150		<b>D</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		
Common Stock (Certificate Form) 0				01/08/	01/08/2009				S		1,200		D	\$1	7.46	15,950		<b>D</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		
Common Stock (Certificate Form)			01/07/2009					S		650		D	\$1	\$16.82		0	I	See Note <sup>(2)</sup>		
Common Stock														114,071		I	See Note <sup>(3)</sup>			
		Та	ble II - C								sed of, onvertib					wned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transacti Code (Ins 8)		on of		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	•	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instrand 4)		f g Instr. 3	Deri Seci (Inst		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
		Code V (A) (D) Exercisable Date Tit		N of	umber															

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares transferred to trust account.
- $2.\ Shares\ held\ in\ the\ name\ of\ spouse,\ Rona\ Shein\ -\ Shares\ transferred\ to\ trust\ account.$
- 3. Has voting power over various family trusts, charitable foundations, and an estate of a decedent.

s/Kenneth J. Quinn, Power of Attorney for Jeffries Shein

01/09/2009

\*\* 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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