FORM 4

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLESEX WATER CO [MSEX] | | | | | | | | | | Check | ationship of Reporting F c all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) Presid | | 10% | Owner (specify | | |
|---|---|--|----------------|---|---|--|--------------|------|--|-----|---------------------|----------|------------------------|---|--|---|-----------|----------------|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 1500 RONSON ROAD | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2016 | | | | | | | | | X | | | belo | | | |
| (Street) ISELIN (City) | NJ (St | | 08830 (Zip) | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Indiv Line) X | , | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - Nor | n-Deriv | ative | Sec | curitie | s Ac | quired, | Dis | posed o | f, o | r Be | nefic | ially | Owne | ed | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | |) E | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Code (Instr. | | | | | | 4 and Sec Bei Ow | | ount of ities icially d Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount (A) or (D) | | Pric | | | action(s) 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock (Restricted Stock Book Entry) | | | 03/31/2016 | | | | | J | | 892 | | A | \$3 | 0.85 | 7,016 | | D | | | |
| Common | ommon Stock (Book Entry) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 4,938 | D | | |
| Common | Stock (DRI | P Certificates) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 6,683 D | | | | | |
| Common | Stock (DRI | ?) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2,890 D | | | | | |
| Common | Stock (Join | t Account w/Spo | ouse) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Ta | able II - I | | | | | | | | sed of, onvertib | | | | | vned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | ative Conversion Date Execution Date, ity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | Code (I | ransaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Number of Title Shares | | | nt er | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares Held in Street Name

s/Jay L. Kooper, Power of

Attorney for Gerard L.

04/01/2016

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** Signature of Reporting Person Date

OWNERSHIP

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).
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