FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name an SHEIN	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLESEX WATER CO [ MSEX ]											tionship of Reportin all applicable) Director		,	o Issuer % Owner				
(Last) 717 OCE	(Fir	rst) ( UE, APT. 1010	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/12/2010											Officer (give title below)			ner (specify ow)
(Street) WEST END NJ 07740  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										fividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
		Tabl	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, o	r Ben	efic	ially	Owne	ed		
Dat					2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Pric	e	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common	Stock (Divi	dend Reinvestm	nent)													10	50,761	D	
Common	01/06/2010					J		2,000		A	\$1	6.98	118,071		I	See Note <sup>(1)</sup>			
Common Stock (Certificate Form)					01/06/2010				J		2,000		D	\$16.98		11,950		<b>D</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common	Stock (Cert	01/11/2010					J		1,200		D	\$17.07		10,750		D <sup>(2)</sup>			
Common	Stock (Boo	k Entry)														222		D <sup>(3)</sup>	
		Та	able II - I								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. Transa Code (I		of i		6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		•	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instrand 4)			Deri Sec (Ins	ivative curity etr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v			Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	or Nu of	nount mber ares						

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Transferred to an account over which Mr. Shein has voting power over various family trusts, charitable foundations, and an estate of a decedent.
- 2. Shares transferred to trust and guardian account.
- 3. Shares were awarded under the Issuer's Outside Director Stock Compensation Plan for the year 2009.

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

01/12/2010

\*\* 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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