## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WILLIAMS RONALD F						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLESEX WATER CO [ MSEX ]											all app Dired	nship of Reportir I applicable) Director Officer (give title		10% O	Owner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) MIDDLESEX WATER CO PO BOX 1500					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2004											belov Vi	v) ce Presider	nt - O	below) perations		
(Street) ISELIN (City)	NJ (St		08830 Zip)		4. If	Line)											,				
		Tabl	e I - Noi	ո-Deriv	ative	Se	curiti	es Ac	qu	iired,	Dis	osed o	f, o	r Ber	efici	ally	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Dat		on Date,	Code (Instr.							, 4 and Sec Ber		ount of ties cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	T		ction(s)			(,	
Common Stock (Restricted Stock)																7,066			D		
Common Stock																	3,800		D		
Common Stock (Dividend Reinvestment) 05/03/.					3/2004	2004			Α		9 A S		\$21	1.29 2,635		2,635		D			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	ate, Transacti Code (Ins		n of Deri Sec Acq (A) Disp of (I (Ins	of E		6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			Am Sec Und Der Sec	Title and mount of ecurities nderlying erivative ecurity (Instr. nd 4)		Deriv Secu	Price of erivative ecurity 1str. 5)	9. Number o derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	wnership orm: irect (D) r Indirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Code		v	(A)	(D)				Expiration Date	Titl	or Nu of	ımber									

**Explanation of Responses:** 

/s/ Kenneth J. Quinn, Power of Attorney for Ronald F. 05/04/2004

Date

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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