SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G (RULE 13d-102)

INFORMATION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1 AND 13d-2 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (FINAL AMENDMENT)

	Middlesex Water Co.	
	(Name of Issuer)	
	Common Stock	
	(Title of Class of Securities)	
	596680108	
	(CUSIP Number)	
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2) Check the Approp a) [] b) []	riate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions)
3) SEC USE ONLY		
4) Citizenship or P	Place of Organization Pennsylvania	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	5) Sole Voting Power	*
By Each Reporting Person With	6) Shared Voting Power	*
	7) Sole Dispositive Power	*
	8) Shared Dispositive Power	*
9) Aggregate Amount	Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person	*
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12) Type of Reportin	ng Person (See Instructions)	нс
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9)	Aggregate Amount Benef:	icially Owned by Each Reporting Person	*
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ITEM 5 - OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS:

Each reporting person has ceased to own beneficially more than 5% of the stock.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 13, 1998
Date
/s/ ROBERT L. HAUNSCHILD
Signature - PNC Bank Corp.
Robert L. Haunschild, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Name/Title
February 13, 1998
Date
/s/ PAUL L. AUDET
Signature - PNC Bancorp, Inc.
Paul L. Audet, Vice President
Name/Title
February 13, 1998
Date
/s/ THOMAS R. MOORE
Signature - PNC Bank, National Association
Thomas R. Moore, Vice President and Secretary
Name/Title

An Agreement to file a Joint Statement was previously filed with the Schedule 13G filed on February 12, 1996.