

Hand Joseph Thomas  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Hand Joseph Thomas

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 YORK WATER CO [yorw]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 130 EAST MARKET STREET, P O BOX 15089

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/15/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Chief Operating Officer

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

YORK, PA 17405-7089

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |           |   |                   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-----------|---|-------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price   |           |   |                   |
| common stock                    | 01/15/2009                           |  | P                              |   | 50.823  | A  | \$ 11.919   | 4,617.896 | D |                   |
| common stock                    | 01/16/2009                           |  | P                              |   | 86.144  | A  | \$ 11.323   | 4,704.04  | D |                   |
| common stock                    | 01/15/2009                           |  | P                              |   | 0.283   | A  | \$ 11.919   | 25.741    | I | By Child (Thomas) |
| common stock                    | 01/15/2009                           |  | P                              |   | 0.283   | A  | \$ 11.919   | 25.741    | I | By Child (Lauren) |
| common stock                    | 01/15/2009                           |  | P                              |   | 0.283   | A  | \$ 11.919   | 25.741    | I | By Child (Brian)  |

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common stock      01/15/2009      P      0.283      A      \$ 11.919      25.741      I      By Child (Kevin)

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

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**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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
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## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Hand Joseph Thomas  
130 EAST MARKET STREET  
P O BOX 15089  
YORK, PA 17405-7089

Chief Operating Officer

## Signatures

/s/ Bonnie J. Rexroth, Assistant Secretary by Power of Attorney

01/16/2009

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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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