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January 31, 2002

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
FORM 5

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check box if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions $1 \, (b) \, .$

- () Form 3 Holdings Reported
- () Form 4 Transactions Reported
- Name and Address of Reporting Person Sondeno, Dudley J
 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89150
- Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Southwest Gas Corporation SWX
- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year 12/31/2001
- 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 () Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other
 (specify below)

Senior Vice President/Chief Knowledge and Technology Officer

- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (Check Applicable Line)
 - (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 - () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I Non-Derivative	e Securiti	es A	cquire	d, Disposed	of, or Bene	ficiall	y Owned
1. Title of Security		sacti	on o	r Disposed (A/		5.Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year
Common Stock	I	1	1				15,309 (2)
Common Stock	 	ı					2,752 (3)
Common Stock	 	I			I		88 (4)
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Table II Derivative	Securitit	ces Acc	quired	, Disposed	d of, c	or Beneficially	Owned	
1.Title of Derivative Security	version or Exer cise Pr	Trans Date 	sactio Code 	n rivative rities A red(A)	e Secu Acqui or Dis		.Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8.P of vat Sec
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	Secu		1			D	cisa-	Date	of :	Shares		1
	rity	1	1	1	Amount	1	ble		l			
Employee Stock Option	\$23.36	07/1	7 A	12	2 , 500	ΙA	(1)	07/16	Common	Stock	12,500	
	1	/2001	1	-		1		/2011	I			1
(right to buy)								I	 			

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The option vests in three annual installments of 5,000 shares in 2002, 3,750 shares in 2003, and 3,750 shares in 2004, beginning July 17, 2002.
- (2) Includes 467 shares acquired in 2001 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of SWX restricted stock

plan and 57 shares acquired pursuant to the dividend reinvestment plan.

- (3) Includes 101 shares acquired in 2001 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the SWX 401(k) plan.
- (4) Includes 4 shares acquired in 2001 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment plan.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/Dudley J. Sondeno by Faye J. Ringler, Attorney in fact ${\tt DATE}$

01/31/2002