

SOUTHWEST GAS CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 LOWMAN JAMES F

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD  
 (Street)

LAS VEGAS, NV 891500002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SOUTHWEST GAS CORP [SWX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/07/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Sr VP/Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price                                |   |  |  |
| Common stock                    | 04/07/2006                           |  | A <sup>(1)</sup>               | 10,319 A \$ 27.95   | 24,120.3  | D  |  |
| Common stock                    | 04/07/2006                           |  | F                              | 3,173 D \$ 27.95  | 20,947.3  | D  |  |

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. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Benef<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   |  | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares                 |   |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   |  | Date Exercisable  | Expiration Date                            |   |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   |  | Code  | V (A) (D)                                  |   |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

LOWMAN JAMES F  
5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD  
LAS VEGAS, NV 891500002

Sr VP/Operations

## Signatures

By: Kathy M.  
Bailey, POA

04/10/2006

\_\_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).
- (1) Due to the retirement of this officer, he received net share distribution from the performance share portion of the 2003 and 2004 Management Incentive Plan.

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