WPS RESOURCES CORP

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

WPS RESOURCES CORP [WPS]

Symbol

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

PROTZ WILLIAM F JR

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Last)	` ,	(1	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director		6 Owner
700 NORTH ADAMS STREET, P. O. BOX 19001		EET, P. 0	03/21/2005	Officer (give title below)		er (specify
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or	Joint/Group Fili	ng(Check
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
GREEN BAY, WI 543079001						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Ownership I Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/21/2005		A 13.96 A \$ 54.12	1,375.269	I	By Stock Investment Plan
Common Stock				76,559	I ;	As trustee for Harry K. Wrench Trust
Common Stock				47,282	I I	As trustee for Ruth Frazer Wrench Trust

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Common Stock 28,428 I By Spouse by Stock Investment Plan

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Expiration Date Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Unit	(1)	03/21/2005		A	46.7338	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	46.7338	
Phantom Stock Unit	(3)	03/21/2005		A	16.6751	<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	16.6751	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PROTZ WILLIAM F JR 700 NORTH ADAMS STREET P. O. BOX 19001 GREEN BAY, WI 543079001	X			

Signatures

By: Barth J. Wolf (See POA filed August 2002) 03/23/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) These deferred stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) Unless the participant has selected a later commencement date, distribution of stock and equivalents will commence within 60 days following the end of the calendar year in which occurs the participant's retirement or termination of service.
- (3) These phantom stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.

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