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OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **OMB** 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading NICK BARBARA A Issuer Symbol WPS RESOURCES CORP [WPS] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 700 NORTH ADAMS STREET, P. 12/16/2005 below) below) O. BOX 19001 Vice Pres, Corporate Services (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting GREEN BAY, WI 543079001 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Joint with Common Ι 12/16/2005 G D \$0 Spouse by 100 8.298 Stock **SIP**

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Common Stock	36.372	I	By Daughter by Stock Investment Plan
Common Stock	1,865.7616	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	3,548.7823	I	By Spouse by ESOP
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities benefic	ially owned directly or indirectly.		
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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	of	rative rities ired r osed)	3		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 34.09 (1)						12/13/2002	12/13/2011	Common Stock	96
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 54.85 (5)						12/07/2006	12/07/2015	Common Stock	6,49
Performance Rights	\$ 0 (6)						01/01/2009(6)	06/30/2009	Common Stock	20
Phantom Stock Unit	\$ 0 (7)						(8)	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	3,299.0
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$ 44.73 (3)						12/10/2004	12/10/2013	Common Stock	4,24

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\$ 44.73 (3)	12/10/2004	12/10/2013	Common Stock	500
\$ 0 <u>(6)</u>	01/01/2007(6)	06/30/2007	Common Stock	571
\$ 48.11 (4)	12/08/2005	12/08/2014	Common Stock	6,07
\$ 0 <u>(6)</u>	01/01/2008(6)	06/30/2008	Common Stock	70′
\$ 0 <u>(6)</u>	01/01/2008(6)	06/30/2008	Common Stock	10
\$ 37.96 (2)	12/12/2003	12/12/2012	Common Stock	2,08
\$ 34.09 (1)	12/13/2002	12/13/2011	Common Stock	250
\$ 37.96 (2)	12/12/2003	12/12/2012	Common Stock	37:
\$ 0 <u>(6)</u>	01/01/2006(6)	06/30/2006	Common Stock	54:
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
rg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
NICK BARBARA A					
700 NORTH ADAMS STREET			Vice Pres Cornerate Services		
P. O. BOX 19001			Vice Pres, Corporate Services		
GREEN BAY, WI 543079001					

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Signatures

By: Barth J. Wolf (See POA filed August 2002)

12/19/2005

**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) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on December 13, 2002.
- (2) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on December 12, 2003.
- (3) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on December 10, 2004.
- (4) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on December 8, 2005.
- (5) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on December 7, 2006.
- (6) Performance shares vest and are issued three years after the performance shares are awarded and the final number of shares issued is determined based on company performance against an established industry benchmark.
- (7) These phantom stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (8) 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.

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