

JOHNSON BRADLEY A
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JOHNSON BRADLEY A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

700 NORTH ADAMS STREET, P. O. BOX 19001

(Street)

GREEN BAY, WI 543079001

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

WPS RESOURCES CORP [WPS]

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

01/16/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

Vice President and Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 | 01/16/2006 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | V 221.9997 A \$ 0 | 2,388.8105 | I | By ESOP |
| Common Stock | | | | | 868.689 | I | 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. 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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 34.09 ⁽²⁾ | | | | | 12/13/2002 | 12/13/2011 | Common Stock | 1,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 37.96 ⁽³⁾ | | | | | 12/12/2003 | 12/12/2012 | Common Stock | 4,400 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 44.73 ⁽⁴⁾ | | | | | 12/10/2004 | 12/10/2013 | Common Stock | 4,500 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 48.11 ⁽⁵⁾ | | | | | 12/08/2005 | 12/08/2014 | Common Stock | 6,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 54.85 ⁽⁶⁾ | | | | | 12/07/2006 | 12/07/2015 | Common Stock | 6,400 |
| Performance Rights | \$ 0 ⁽⁷⁾ | | | | | 01/01/2006 ⁽⁷⁾ | 06/30/2006 | Common Stock | 58,000 |
| Performance Rights | \$ 0 ⁽⁷⁾ | | | | | 01/01/2007 ⁽⁷⁾ | 06/30/2007 | Common Stock | 61,000 |
| Performance Rights | \$ 0 ⁽⁷⁾ | | | | | 01/01/2008 ⁽⁷⁾ | 06/30/2008 | Common Stock | 70,000 |
| Performance Rights | \$ 0 ⁽⁷⁾ | | | | | 01/01/2009 ⁽⁷⁾ | 06/30/2009 | Common Stock | 90,000 |
| Phantom Stock Unit | \$ 0 ⁽⁸⁾ | | | | | ⁽⁹⁾ | ⁽⁹⁾ | Common Stock | 6,543 |

