#### KEMERLING JAMES L

Form 4

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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Stock

(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 KEMERLING JAMES L Issuer Symbol WPS RESOURCES CORP [WPS] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 700 NORTH ADAMS STREET, P. 12/09/2004 below) O. BOX 19001 (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 (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 TransactionAcquired (A) or Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common

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)

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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 orDerivative 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
Deferred Stock Unit	(1)	12/09/2004		A	736.377	<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	736.3
Phantom Stock Unit	\$ 0 (3)					<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	2,483.7
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 25.4375					12/09/2000	12/09/2009	Common Stock	3,00

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
.r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
KEMERLING JAMES L 700 NORTH ADAMS STREET P. O. BOX 19001 GREEN BAY, WI 543079001	X					
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## **Signatures**

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

\*\*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) 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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