WPS RESOURCES CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PROTZ WILLIAM F JR Issuer Symbol WPS RESOURCES CORP [WPS] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 700 NORTH ADAMS STREET, P. 02/28/2006 below) O. BOX 19001 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 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 Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities (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 As trustee Common for Harry K. 76,559 Ι Wrench Stock Trust As trustee for Ruth Common 47,282 I Frazer Stock Wrench Trust Common 28,428 I By Spouse Stock by Stock

Investment

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Common Stock

1,416.286 I

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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 or 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 or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	02/28/2006		A	111.7983	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	111.7983
Deferred Stock Unit	\$ 0 (3)					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	5,469.591

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

**Signature of Reporting Person

	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 2002)	August		03/01/200)6

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Relationships

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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 phantom 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 deferred stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.

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