MIDDLESEX WATER CO

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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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 * MIDDLETON JOHN R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	MIDDLESEX WATER CO [MSEX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
318 HILLSIDE PLACE		((Month/Day/Year) 08/13/2009	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
SOUTH ORANGE, NJ 07079-2903				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock (Certificate Form)							1,400	D	
Common Stock (Dividend Reinvestment)							5,623	D	
Common Stock (Book Entry)	08/12/2009		A	222	A	\$ 13.51 (1)	222 (2)	D	

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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)

 Title of 	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivative			Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]	
	Derivative				Securities	1		(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired]
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					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
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								of			
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10%
Owner Other

MIDDLETON JOHN R 318 HILLSIDE PLACE X SOUTH ORANGE, NJ 07079-2903

Signatures

s/Kenneth J. Quinn, Power of Attorney for John R.

Middleton

08/13/2009

**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 price was determined as of May 29, 2009 in accordance with the provision of the Issuer's Outside Director Stock Compensation Plan
- (2) Shares were awarded under the Issuer's Outside Director Stock Compensation Plan for the year 2009.

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