JAMES RICHARD E

Form 4

February 24, 2003

SEC Form 4

| FORM 4 | UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION | | | | | OMB APPROVAL | | |
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| (Print or Type Responses) | STATEMENT OF CH. and pursuant to Section 16(a) of the colding Company Act of 1935 or | OMB Number: 3235-0287 Expires: January 31, 2005 Estimated average burden hours per response 0.5 | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* James, Richard Evan | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or WPS Resources Corporatio | Trading Symbol | 6. Relationship of Rep | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 700 North Adams Street P. O. Box 19001 (Street) Green Bay, WI 54307-001 (City) (State) (Zip) | 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary) | Number of Reporting Month/Day/Year Person, if an entity | | | Director | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction (Month/Day) | Date 2A. Deemed | 3. Transaction Code and Voluntary | 4. Securities Acquir (A) or Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Amount A/D Price | Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Owner-ship Form: Direct(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock | | | | 1,022.0000 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | 1,977.3478 | I | By ESOP | | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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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) | 4. Transaction Code and Voluntary (V) Code (Instr.8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3,4 and 5) | Expiration Date(ED) (Month/Day/Year) | Amount of Underlying Securities | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr.5) | Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 10. Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.4) | 11. Nature o Indirect Benefici Ownersh (Instr.4) |
|---|--|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$29.8750 | 02/21/2003 | M I | (D) 5,500.0000 | 02/11/2000 (1) 02/11/2009 | Common Stock - 5,500.0000 | | 5,500.0000 | D | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$34.7500 | | | | 12/14/2001 (2) 12/14/2010 | Common Stock - 6,200.0000 | | 6,200.0000 | D | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$34.0900 | | | | 12/13/2002 (3) 12/13/2011 | Common Stock - 6,503.0000 | | 6,503.0000 | D | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$37.9600 | | | | 12/12/2003 (4) 12/12/2012 | Common Stock - 6,647.0000 | | 6,647.0000 | D | |
| Performance Rights | 1-for-1 | | | | Varies (5) Varies (5) | Common Stock - 2,795.0000 | | 2,795.0000 | D | |
| Phantom Stock Unit | 1-for-1 | | | | Varies (6) Varies (6) | Common Stock - 2,385.8747 | | 2,385.8747 | D | |
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Explanation of Responses :

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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By: Barth J. Wolf (See POA filed August 2002) 02-24-2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Power of Attorney

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FOOTNOTE Descriptions for WPS Resources Corporation WPS

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Explanation of responses:

(1) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 11, 2000.

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