SOUTHWEST GAS CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SHEETS THOMAS R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHWEST GAS CORP [SWX]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD			08/19/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr VP/General Counsel		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
LAS VEGAS	NV 801500	0002	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
LAS VEGAS, NV 891500002				Person		

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common stock	08/19/2005		M	3,750	A	\$ 21.74	19,274	D	
Common stock	08/19/2005		S	3,750	D	\$ 26.5	15,524	D	
Common stock	08/19/2005		M	3,750	A	\$ 21.09	19,274	D	
Common stock	08/19/2005		S	3,750	D	\$ 26.5	15,524	D	
Common stock	08/19/2005		M	5,000	A	\$ 23.4	20,524	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu (A) o Disp (D)	or cosed of r. 3, 4,	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
Stock Option (right to buy) 2002	\$ 21.74	08/19/2005		M		3,750	07/16/2003	07/15/2012	Common stock	3,750
Stock Option (right to buy) 2003	\$ 21.09	08/19/2005		M		3,750	07/15/2004	07/14/2013	Common stock	3,750
Stock Option (right to buy) 2004	\$ 23.4	08/19/2005		M		5,000	07/27/2005	07/26/2014	Common stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SHEETS THOMAS R			Sr					
5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD			VP/General					
LAS VEGAS, NV 891500002			Counsel					

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By: Kathy M. 08/22/2005 Bailey, POA

**Signature of Reporting Date

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