MIDDLESEX WATER CO

Form 4

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MIDDLETON JOHN R Issuer Symbol MIDDLESEX WATER CO [MSEX] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 318 HILLSIDE PLACE 12/01/2004 below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **SOUTH ORANGE, NJ 07079-2903** Person

(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table I -	Non-Deri	vative Sec	urities	s Acquire	d, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Secur or(A) or D (Instr. 3,	oispose , 4 and (A) or	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							1,400	D	
Common Stock (Dividend Reinvestment)	12/01/2004		A	553	A	\$ 19.54	3,976	D	

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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exer		7. Title		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secur
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
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					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
						Excicisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Director Officer Other Owner

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

Signatures

/s/Kenneth J. Quinn, Power of Attorney for John R. 12/06/2004 Middleton

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

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