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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement American Water Works Company, Inc. [AWK] **Â** Witherspoon Charles (Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person VOORHEES, NJÂ 08043 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Vice President and Treasurer Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 586 (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	ivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	
		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:	
					Security	Direct (D)	
						or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	12/31/2022	Common Stock	546	\$ 65.15	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Witherspoon Charles 1025 LAUREL OAK ROAD VOORHEES, NJ 08043	Â	Â	Vice President and Treasurer	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey M. Taylor, as attorney-in-fact for Charles Witherspoon

02/16/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 shares indicated constitute restricted stock units issued under the American Water Works Company, Inc. ("American Water") 2007 Omnibus Equity Compensation Plan (the "Plan") which settle in shares of American Water common stock on a one share per unit basis.
- (2) The option award granted under the Plan on February 16, 2016 and representing a right to purchase 546 shares will vest in three equal installments on January 1, 2017, January 1, 2018 and January 1, 2019.

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