SOUTHWEST GAS CORP

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1. Name and Ad LOWMAN J		orting Person *	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			08/18/2005	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				Sr VP/Operations			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	on(A) or Dis	curities Acquired or Disposed of (D) r. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common stock	08/18/2005		M	1,024	A	\$ 23.06	16,398	D	
Common stock	08/18/2005		S	1,024	D	\$ 26.12	15,374	D	
Common stock	08/18/2005		M	2,376	A	\$ 23.36	17,750	D	
Common stock	08/18/2005		S	2,376	D	\$ 26.12	15,374	D	
Common stock	08/18/2005		M	10,000	A	\$ 21.74	25,374	D	

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Common stock	08/18/2005	S	10,000	D	\$ 26.12	15,374	D
Common stock	08/18/2005	M	7,000	A	\$ 21.09	22,374	D
Common stock	08/18/2005	S	7,000	D	\$ 26.12	15,374	D
Common stock	08/18/2005	M	4,000	A		19,374	D
Common stock	08/18/2005	S	4,000	D	\$ 26.12	15,374	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 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)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		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) 1998	\$ 23.06	08/18/2005		M		1,024	07/21/1999	07/20/2008	Common stock	1,024
Stock Option (right to buy) 2001	\$ 23.36	08/18/2005		M		2,376	07/17/2002	07/16/2011	Common stock	2,376
Stock Option (right to buy) 2002	\$ 21.74	08/18/2005		M		10,000	07/16/2003	07/15/2012	Common stock	10,000
	\$ 21.09	08/18/2005		M		7,000	07/15/2004	07/14/2013		7,000

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Common Stock Option stock (right to buy) 2003 Stock Option Common 4,000 07/27/2005 07/26/2014 \$ 23.4 08/18/2005 M 4,000 (right to stock buy) 2004

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LOWMAN JAMES F
5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN BO

5241 SPRING MOUNTAIN ROAD Sr VP/Operations

LAS VEGAS, NV 891500002

Signatures

By: Kathy M. 08/19/2005 Bailey, POA

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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