Cortese Denis A. Form 4 July 06, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Cortese Denis A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PINNACLE WEST CAPITAL CORP [PNW]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

15711 ROBIN DRIVE EAST

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

07/01/2010

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

FOUNTAIN HILLS, AZ 85268

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

4. Securities

Code V Amount (D) Price

Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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Estimated average

burden hours per

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration

(Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of

(D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Date Title

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1,9

Restricted

Common $02/01/2011_{\underline{(1)}} \quad 02/01/2011_{\underline{(1)}}$ 1,994 Stock (1) 07/01/2010 A Stock

Units

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

10% Owner Officer Other Director

Cortese Denis A. 15711 ROBIN DRIVE EAST X FOUNTAIN HILLS, AZ 85268

Signatures

/s/ Diane Wood, Attorney-in-Fact

07/06/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

Each Restricted Stock Unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Pinnacle West common stock. The Restricted Stock Units vested on July 1, 2010 and, at the reporting person's election, will be settled in shares of common stock or 50% cash and 50% common stock. The reporting person elected to defer settlement until February 01, 2011.

Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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