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Form 4

December 23, 2002

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	UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION							
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5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).	STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP						3235-0287 Expires: December 31, 2001	
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Name and Address of Reporting Name and Address of Reporting	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		(Month/Year)		6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
Wolf, Barth Joel	WPS Resources Corporation WPS		December 20, 2002		(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) 700 North Adams Street P. O. Box 19001	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)		5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)		Director 10% Owner X Officer Other			
(Street) Green Bay, WI 54307-9001	(volumely)		Offi Dess - Le - 7. Ir Fi		Officer/Other Description Secretary and Manager - Legal Services			
(City) (State)					Filing	dividual or Joint/Group ling (Check Applicable Line)		
Table I - Non-Derivative Secu	urities Acquired Dis	nosed of or F	Sanaficially Owned				/Group Filir	
1. Title of Security 2. Tra	ansaction Date onth/Day/Year) 3.	_	4. Securities Acqui Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Amount Price	A/D	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 and 4)		wner- ip rm: rect(D) direct (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock					944.40)17	I	By ESOP
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)					1	T	1	1		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Transaction Code and Voluntary (V) Code (Instr.8)	of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable(DE) and Expiration Date(ED) (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr.5)		10. Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.4)
Phantom Stock Unit	1-for-1	12/20/2002	A (1)	(A) 21.0225	Varies (2)	Common Stock - 21.0225	\$39.5000	1,578.8191	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$34.0900				12/13/2002 (3) 12/13/2011	Common Stock - 4,030.0000		4,030.0000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$37.9600				12/12/2003 (4)	Common Stock - 4,119.0000		4,119.0000	D	
Performance Rights	1-for-1				Varies (5)	Common Stock - 1,131.0000		1,131.0000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Barth J. Wolf (See POA filed August 2002)

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Explanation of responses:

- (1) Award of phantom stock units under WPS Resources Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) Unless the participant has selected a later commencement date, distribution of stock and equivalents will commence within 60 days following the end of the calendar year in which occurs the participant's retirement or termination as director.

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