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FORM 4							ON	MB APPROVAL	
[] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).	STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the						OMB Number: 3235-0287 Expires: December 31, 2001		
		2. Issuer Nan	ne and Ticker	4. Statemer	nt for	6. Relatio	0.5	er response eporting Person(s) to	
1. Name and Address of Reportin Meinz, Thomas Peter	or Trading Symbol WPS Resources Corporation WPS		(Month/Year) December 27, 2002		Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) 700 North Adams Street P. O. Box 19001	(Middle)	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					Officer/Other Description <u>Senior Vice President -</u> <u>Public Affairs</u>				
(City) (State)					 Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Individual Filing Joint/Group Filing 				
Table I - Non-Derivative Sec	urities Acquired, Dis	sposed of, or I	Beneficially Owned		ļ	50110	Group I in		
1. Title of Security 2. Tra	ansaction Date 3. (onth/Day/Year)	Transaction Code and Voluntary Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acqui Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3, 4, and 5	red (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 and 4)	Di or Inc		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
		Code V	Amount Price	A/D		0.4		D. DOOD	
Common Stock					4,253.11	94	I	By ESOP	
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					neficially Owned					
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conver- sion or Exercise Price of Deri- vative Security	Transaction Date (Month/	4. Transaction Code and Voluntary (V) Code (Instr.8)		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)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr.4)	10. Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.4)
			Code V		(DE) (ED)					
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$29.8750				02/11/2000 (3) 02/11/2009	Common Stock - 15,500.0000		15,500.0000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$34.7500				12/14/2001 (4) 12/14/2010	Common Stock - 11,276.0000		11,276.0000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$34.0900				12/13/2002 (5) 12/13/2011	Common Stock - 12,051.0000		12,051.0000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$37.9600				12/12/2003 (6) 12/12/2012	Common Stock - 12,318.0000		12,318.0000	D	
Performance Rights	1-for-1				Varies (7) Varies (7)	Common Stock - 5,146.0000		5,146.0000	D	
Phantom Stock Unit	1-for-1	12/27/2002	A (1) 	(A) 69.3542	Varies (2) Varies (2)	Common Stock - 69.3542	\$38.4800	8,506.3998	D	

Explanation of Responses :

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. 12-30-2002 See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a). Date Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, **Thomas Peter Meinz** See Instruction 6 for procedure.

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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