

CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 \*  
 CASELLA JOHN W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS INC  
 [CWST]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Chief Executive Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, 25 GREENS HILL LANE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/10/2017

RUTLAND, VT 05701  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 03/10/2017                           |  | M                              | 14,000  | A \$ 11.01  | 529,729  | D   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 03/10/2017                           |  | S                              | 14,000  | D \$ 12.5818  | 515,729  | D   |
| Class B Common Stock            |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 494,100  | D   |

|                            |     |   |                               |
|----------------------------|-----|---|-------------------------------|
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 694 | I | See<br>Footnote<br><u>(1)</u> |
|----------------------------|-----|---|-------------------------------|

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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                              |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 11.01   | 03/10/2017                           |  | M                              | 14,000  | <u>(3)</u> 07/23/2017                                    | Class A Common Stock 14,000                                   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| CASELLA JOHN W<br>C/O CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS<br>25 GREENS HILL LANE<br>RUTLAND, VT 05701 | X             |           | Chief Executive Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ John W. Casella 03/13/2017

\*\*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).
- (1) Held by Mr. Casella's spouse. Mr. Casella disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities indicated to the extent to which he does not have an actual pecuniary interest in such securities.  
  
Represents the weighted average sales price for shares sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$12.465 to \$12.66, inclusive.
- (2) Upon request of the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a securities holder of such issuer, the reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) The option vested in three equal installments on July 23, 2008, 2009, and 2010.

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