

Heald Christopher
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Heald Christopher

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
25 GREENS HILL LANE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/20/2019

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP & Chief Accounting Officer

RUTLAND, VT 05701

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/20/2019 | | A | | 21,606 ⁽¹⁾ | A | \$ 0 107,090 |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/21/2019 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 6,925 | D | \$ 34,5998 ⁽³⁾ 100,165 |

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) | \$ 12.48 | 02/20/2019 | | A | 8,988 | 02/20/2019 | 11/16/2026 | Class A Common Stock | 8,988 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Heald Christopher 25 GREENS HILL LANE RUTLAND, VT 05701 | | | VP & Chief Accounting Officer | |

Signatures

/s/Christopher Heald
 02/22/2019
 **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) Represents shares of Class A Common Stock acquired by the reporting person upon the vesting of performance-based stock units ("PSU's") granted to the reporting person on November 17, 2016, as a result of the level of achievement by Casella Waste Systems, Inc. (the "Company") of certain performance objectives during the third year ("Measurement Period") of the three-year performance period running from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2018, multiplied by a Relative TSR multiplier for the period running from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2018.
 - (2) Represents the automatic sale of stock for tax withholding purposes pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adapted by the person on March 15, 2016, in connection with the vesting of PSU's on February 20, 2019.
 - (3) Represents the weighted average sales price for shares sold in multiple transactions, at prices ranging from \$34.40 to \$34.75, inclusive.
- Upon request of the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, the reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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- (4) On November 17, 2016, the reporting person was granted a performance-based stock option, which vested as to 35,952 shares of Class A Common Stock, as a result of the level of achievement by the Company of certain performance objectives during the Measurement Period of the three-year performance period running from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2018, multiplied by a Relative TSR multiplier for the period running from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2018.

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