

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**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**CRETNEY TIMOTHY A**

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)  
**C/O CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, INC., 25 GREENS HILL LANE**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**06/11/2009**

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Regional Vice President**

(Street)  
**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

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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)**

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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)	8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	06/11/2009		A	21,993 <u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Class A Common Stock	21,993

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CRETNEY TIMOTHY A C/O CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, INC. 25 GREENS HILL LANE RUTLAND, VT 05701			Regional Vice President	

## Signatures

/s/ Timothy A. Cretney  
Date: 07/06/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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 the award of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") under the Casella Waste Systems, Inc. ("Casella") 2006 Stock Incentive Plan. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Casella's Class A Common Stock.
- (2) RSUs reported on this Form 4 shall vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the Grant Date. The grant to the Reporting Person reported on this Form 4 also includes RSUs that vest upon achievement by Casella of specified performance measures. These RSUs will be reported upon vesting pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and applicable regulations thereunder.
- (3) Upon vesting, the Reporting Person is entitled to receive one share of Casella's Class A Common Stock per vested Restricted Stock Unit.

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