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Name and Address of Re	porting Person*	or Trading	or Trading Symbol		Year) Iss	Ssuer		
James, Richard Evan		WPS Resources Corporation WPS		September 20, 2002		(Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First	(Middle)	` '						
700 North Adams Street P. O. Box 19001	Number of Person, if	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)		Year)	Director Owner X Officer ther			
(Streen Bay, WI 54307-9				De	fficer/Other escription <u>Vice President -</u> orporate Planning			
(City) (State) (Zip)						Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Individual Filing Joint/Group Filing		
Table I - Non-Derivative	Securities Acquired, D	isposed of, or l	Beneficially Owned		<u> </u>	John/Group Filit	ıg	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code and Voluntary Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Amount Price	A/D				
Common Stock			, 11100		1,022.0000	D		
Common Stock		_		-	1,620.4103	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. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		4. Transaction Code and Voluntary (V) Code (Instr.8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3,4 and 5)	Expiration	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	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)
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$29.8750				02/11/2000 (3)	Common Stock - 11,000.0000		11,000.0000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$34.7500				12/14/2001 (4) 12/14/2010	Common Stock - 6,200.0000		6,200.0000	D	
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$34.0900				12/13/2002 (5) 12/13/2011	Common Stock - 6,503.0000		6,503.0000	D	
Performance Rights	1-for-1				Varies (6)	Common Stock - 1,925.0000		1,925.0000	D	
Phantom Stock Unit	1-for-1	09/20/2002	A (1)	(A) 35.2522	Varies (2)	Common Stock - 35,2522	\$35.1900	2,353.9915	D	

Explanation of Responses :

** Intentional	misstatements o	r omissions	of fact
constitute Fed	leral Criminal Vi	olations.	

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

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** Signature of Reporting Person

Barth J. Wolf (See POA filed August 2002) **Richard Evan James**

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FOOTNOTE Descriptions for WPS Resources Corporation WPS

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Explanation of responses:

- (1) Award of phantom stock units under WPS Resources Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (4) Ûnless 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 of employment or service.

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