FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person*     CASELLA DOUGLAS R						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS INC  CWST ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
25 GREENS HILL LANE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/11/2009								below)	(give title hairman,	, Bd o	Other (s below) of Directo			
PO BOX 866						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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		Tab	le I - N	on-Deri	vative S	Sec	urities /	Acq	uired, C	)isp	osed of	, or Ben	eficiall	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day)						Exe if ar	Deemed cution Date, ny nth/Day/Year)				ties Acquired (A) I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned Followin	s ally		Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		- 4)		
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	Date Execu (Month/Day/Year) if any	if any	on Date,		Transaction Code (Instr.				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported	e s illy g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transacti (Instr. 4)	ion(s)			
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	06/11/2009			A		46,391 <sup>(2)</sup>		(2)		(3)	Class A Common Stock	46,391	\$0	46,39	1	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 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.

07/06/2009 /s/ Douglas R. Casella

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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).

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