## 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* CRETNEY TIMOTHY A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS INC</u> [ <u>CWST</u> ]								ck all applic Director	tionship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10% C	wner
(Last) C/O CAS	(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/11/2009								below)	gional V	ïce Pr	below)	(specify
25 GREENS HILL LANE						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 07/06/2009								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(Street) RUTLA				_								2		rm filed by One Reporting Person rm filed by More than One Reporting erson				
(City)	(S <sup>1</sup>	tate) (	Zip)															
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
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										v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	on(s)		,	(1130.4)
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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s		10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownershi
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Iransact (Instr. 4)			
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	06/11/2009			Α		21,993 <sup>(2)</sup>		(2)		(3)	Class A Common Stock	21,993	\$0	21,99	93	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.

/s/ Timothy A. Cretney

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

07/31/2009 Date

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

 $^{\ast}$  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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