FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Ad	Idress of Reportin	g Person [*]	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS INC</u> [CWST]		ationship of Reporting F < all applicable) Director	10% Owner	
(Last) C/O CASELL	(First) LA WASTE SY:	(Middle) STEMS, INC.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2017	- X	Officer (give title Other (speci below) below) General Counsel & Senior VP		
25 GREENS	HILL LANE VT (State)	05701 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Fi Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th Person		
		Table I - Non-D	erivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Ben	ficially	Owned		

Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	ifany	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of and 5)			Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	02/28/2017		A ⁽¹⁾		4,281	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	73,115	D	

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		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				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) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	Beneficial Ownership
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents the award of Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) under the Casella Waste Systems, Inc. 2016 Incentive Plan. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Casella's Class A Common Stock. RSUs vest in three equal installments beginning on February 28, 2018.

/s/David L. Schmitt

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

03/02/2017

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

 * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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