UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 4 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP () Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b). 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Shaw, Jeffrey W. 5241 Spring Mountain Road Las Vegas, NV 89102 USA 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Southwest Gas Corporation SWX 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary) ###-##-#### 4. Statement for Month/Year January 1997 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year) 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
() Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)

Vice Président/Treasurer 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

(X) 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

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Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /s/ Jeffrey W. Shaw by Faye J. Ringler, Attorney in Fact DATE

2/13/97