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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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**Quarterly report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities
Exchange Act of 1934**

for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009

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**Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities
Exchange Act of 1934**

for the transition period from to

Commission file number 001-14431

American States Water Company

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

California

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

95-4676679

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

630 E. Foothill Blvd, San Dimas, CA

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

91773-1212

(Zip Code)

(909) 394-3600

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name, Former Address and Former Fiscal Year, if Changed Since Last Report)

Commission file number 001-12008

Golden State Water Company

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

California

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

95-1243678

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

630 E. Foothill Blvd, San Dimas, CA

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91773-1212

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Not Applicable

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Indicate by check mark whether Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

American States Water Company

Yes ☒ No ☐

Golden State Water Company

Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether Registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or such shorter period that the Registrant was required to submit and post such files).

American States Water Company

Yes ☐ No ☐

Golden State Water Company

Yes ☐ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definition of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

American States Water Company

Large accelerated filer ☐

Accelerated filer ☒

Non-accelerated filer ☐

Smaller reporting company ☐

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Large accelerated filer ☐ Accelerated filer ☐ Non-accelerated filer ☒ Smaller reporting company ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act)

American States Water Company
Golden State Water Company

Yes ☐ No ☒
Yes ☐ No ☒

As of November 3, 2009, the number of Common Shares outstanding, of American States Water Company was 18,512,032 shares. As of November 3, 2009, all of the 134 outstanding Common Shares of Golden State Water Company were owned by American States Water Company.

Golden State Water Company meets the conditions set forth in General Instruction (H)(1)(a) and (b) of Form 10-Q and is therefore filing this Form, in part, with the reduced disclosure format for Golden State Water Company.

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GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY

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PART I

Item 1. Financial Statements

General

The basic financial statements included herein have been prepared by Registrant, without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements, prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. In the opinion of management, all adjustments consisting of normal recurring items and estimates necessary for a fair statement of results for the interim period have been made.

It is suggested that these financial statements be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes thereto in the latest Annual Report on Form 10-K of American States Water Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Golden State Water Company.

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American States Water Company (hereinafter "AWR") is the parent company of Golden State Water Company (hereinafter "GSWC"), Chaparral City Water Company (hereinafter "CCWC") and American States Utility Services, Inc. (hereinafter "ASUS") and its subsidiaries.

This quarterly report on Form 10-Q is a combined report being filed by two separate Registrants: AWR and GSWC. For more information, please see Note 1 to the Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements and the heading entitled General in Item 2 - Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations. References in this report to Registrant are to AWR and GSWC collectively, unless otherwise specified. GSWC makes no representations as to the information contained in this report relating to AWR and its subsidiaries, other than GSWC.

Forward-Looking Information

This Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements intended to qualify for the "safe harbor" from liability established by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements include statements regarding our goals, beliefs, plans or current expectations, taking into account the information currently available to management. Forward-looking statements are not statements of historical facts. For example, when we use words such as believes, anticipates, expects, plans, estimates, intends, may and other words that convey uncertainty about future events or outcomes, we are making forward-looking statements. Such statements address future events and conditions concerning such matters as our ability to raise capital, capital expenditures, earnings, litigation, rates, water sales, water quality and other regulatory matters, adequacy of water supplies, our ability to recover electric, natural gas and water supply costs from ratepayers, contract operations, liquidity and capital resources, and accounting matters. We caution you that any forward-looking statements made by us are not guarantees of future performance and that actual results may differ materially from those currently anticipated in such statements, by reason of factors such as: changes in utility regulation; recovery of regulatory assets not yet included in rates; future economic conditions which affect changes in customer demand and changes in water and energy supply costs; repayment of amounts owed to us; changes in pension and postretirement benefit plan costs; future climatic conditions; delays in customer payments or price redeterminations or equitable adjustments on contracts

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executed by ASUS and its subsidiaries; potential assessments for failure to meet interim targets for the purchase of renewable energy; and legislative, legal proceedings, regulatory and other circumstances affecting anticipated revenues and costs.

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AMERICAN STATES WATER COMPANY

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

ASSETS

(Unaudited)

(in thousands)	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
Utility Plant		
Utility plant, at cost	\$ 1,223,922	\$ 1,171,284
Less - Accumulated depreciation	(367,628)	(346,022)
Net utility plant	856,294	825,262
Other Property and Investments		
Goodwill	4,610	4,610
Other property and investments	11,526	10,689
Total other property and investments	16,136	15,299
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	7,357	7,283
Accounts receivable - customers (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$674 in 2009 and \$656 in 2008)	18,811	14,315
Unbilled revenue	23,807	17,958
Receivable from the U.S. government (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$67 in 2009 and \$121 in 2008)	10,281	8,094
Other accounts receivable (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$456 in 2009 and \$474 in 2008)	4,137	6,341
Income taxes receivable	1,798	1,526
Materials and supplies, at average cost	1,912	2,109
Regulatory assets - current	8,693	16,071
Prepayments and other current assets	1,986	2,950
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts	17,275	11,836
Deferred income taxes - current	3,607	2,131
Total current assets	99,664	90,614
Regulatory and Other Assets		
Regulatory assets	118,893	104,521
Other accounts receivable	8,471	8,167
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts	6,775	6,897
Deferred income taxes	313	254
Other	10,157	10,273
Total regulatory and other assets	144,609	130,112
Total Assets	\$ 1,116,703	\$ 1,061,287

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements

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AMERICAN STATES WATER COMPANY

**CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES
(Unaudited)**

(in thousands)	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
Capitalization		
Common shares, no par value, no stated value	\$ 221,953	\$ 185,499
Earnings reinvested in the business	137,794	125,004
Total common shareholders' equity	359,747	310,503
Long-term debt	306,298	266,536
Total capitalization	666,045	577,039
Current Liabilities		
Notes payable to banks	20,550	74,700
Long-term debt - current	648	636
Accounts payable	37,361	36,582
Income taxes payable	21	974
Accrued employee expenses	7,014	5,625
Accrued interest	5,357	2,463
Unrealized loss on purchased power contracts	7,026	
Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts	5,479	2,094
Other	15,544	14,323
Total current liabilities	99,000	137,397
Other Credits		
Advances for construction	84,619	86,816
Contributions in aid of construction - net	103,512	101,593
Deferred income taxes	91,208	84,750
Unamortized investment tax credits	2,177	2,245
Accrued pension and other postretirement benefits	49,220	52,235
Regulatory liabilities	1,182	425
Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts	10,856	9,866
Other	8,884	8,921
Total other credits	351,658	346,851
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 8)		
Total Capitalization and Liabilities	\$ 1,116,703	\$ 1,061,287

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AMERICAN STATES WATER COMPANY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
FOR THE THREE MONTHS
ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 AND 2008
(Unaudited)

(in thousands, except per share amounts)	Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2009	2008
Operating Revenues		
Water	\$ 78,297	\$ 69,365
Electric	6,563	6,743
Contracted services	16,641	9,153
Total operating revenues	101,501	85,261
Operating Expenses		
Water purchased	14,151	15,087
Power purchased for pumping	3,335	3,484
Groundwater production assessment	3,247	2,791
Power purchased for resale	2,793	3,345
Unrealized loss on purchased power contracts		3,741
Supply cost balancing accounts	4,806	(490)
Other operation expenses	7,663	7,366
Administrative and general expenses	17,018	16,307
Depreciation and amortization	8,400	7,882
Maintenance	4,052	4,027
Property and other taxes	3,555	3,461
ASUS construction expenses	9,266	5,117
Loss on settlement for removal of wells	760	
Total operating expenses	79,046	72,118
Operating Income	22,455	13,143
Other Income and Expenses		
Interest expense	(5,861)	(5,428)
Interest income	173	293
Other	38	(30)
Total other income and expenses	(5,650)	(5,165)
Income from operations before income tax expense	16,805	7,978
Income tax expense	7,107	3,426
Net Income	\$ 9,698	\$ 4,552
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	18,502	17,268
Basic Earnings Per Common Share	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.26
Weighted Average Number of Diluted Shares	18,645	17,404
Fully Diluted Earnings Per Share	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.26

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Dividends Declared Per Common Share	\$	0.25	\$	0.25
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**AMERICAN STATES WATER COMPANY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME**

**FOR THE NINE MONTHS
ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 AND 2008
(Unaudited)**

(in thousands, except per share amounts)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009	2008
Operating Revenues		
Water	\$ 209,248	\$ 186,824
Electric	21,083	21,754
Contracted services	44,332	25,938
Total operating revenues	274,663	234,516
Operating Expenses		
Water purchased	34,622	36,119
Power purchased for pumping	7,711	7,819
Groundwater production assessment	8,621	8,056
Power purchased for resale	9,158	10,179
Unrealized gain on purchased power contracts		(766)
Supply cost balancing accounts	11,666	(1,269)
Other operation expenses	21,981	22,415
Administrative and general expenses	49,405	46,077
Depreciation and amortization	25,148	23,485
Maintenance	12,012	12,569
Property and other taxes	9,667	9,220
ASUS construction expenses	25,540	13,426
Net gain on sale of property	(15)	
Loss on settlement for removal of wells	760	
Total operating expenses	216,276	187,330
Operating Income	58,387	47,186
Other Income and Expenses		
Interest expense	(16,814)	(16,100)
Interest income	671	1,429
Other	90	91
Total other income and expenses	(16,053)	(14,580)
Income from operations before income tax expense	42,334	32,606
Income tax expense	16,205	13,467
Net Income	\$ 26,129	\$ 19,139
Weighted Average Number of Shares Outstanding	17,896	17,252
Basic Earnings Per Common Share	\$ 1.45	\$ 1.10
Weighted Average Number of Diluted Shares	18,029	17,378
Fully Diluted Earnings Per Share	\$ 1.45	\$ 1.10

Dividends Declared Per Common Share	\$	0.75	\$	0.75
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**AMERICAN STATES WATER COMPANY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOW**

**FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 AND 2008
(Unaudited)**

(in thousands)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009	2008
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 26,129	\$ 19,139
Adjustments for non-cash items:		
Depreciation and amortization	25,148	23,485
Provision for doubtful accounts	774	661
Deferred income taxes and investment tax credits	5,134	4,276
Unrealized gain on purchased power contracts		(766)
Stock-based compensation expense	1,042	1,097
Loss on settlement for removal of wells	760	
Other net	1,123	401
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable customers	(5,270)	(3,902)
Unbilled revenue	(5,849)	(3,742)
Other accounts receivable	1,900	855
Receivable from the U.S. government	(2,187)	(423)
Materials and supplies	197	(241)
Prepayments and other current assets	964	822
Regulatory assets supply cost balancing accounts	11,666	(1,269)
Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts	(5,317)	(6,510)
Other assets (including other regulatory assets)	(13,033)	(1,719)
Accounts payable	382	6,168
Income taxes receivable/payable	(1,225)	(2,866)
Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts	4,375	4,791
Accrued pension and other postretirement benefits	(3,015)	(77)
Other liabilities	6,716	3,162
Net cash provided	50,414	43,342
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		
Construction expenditures	(55,633)	(58,987)
Business acquisition		(2,298)
Net cash used	(55,633)	(61,285)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of Common Shares, net of issuance costs	35,354	708
Proceeds from stock option exercises	67	666
Receipt of advances for and contributions in aid of construction	1,065	4,339
Refunds on advances for construction	(3,033)	(3,339)
Repayments of long-term debt	(226)	(272)
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt, net of issuance costs	39,750	
Net change in notes payable to banks	(54,150)	28,300
Dividends paid	(13,285)	(12,934)
Other net	(249)	18
Net cash provided	5,293	17,486
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	74	(457)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	7,283	1,698

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Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$	7,357	\$	1,241
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**GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY
BALANCE SHEETS**

**ASSETS
(Unaudited)**

(in thousands)	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
Utility Plant		
Utility plant, at cost	\$ 1,153,886	\$ 1,103,932
Less - Accumulated depreciation	(345,466)	(326,089)
Net utility plant	808,420	777,843
Other Property and Investments	8,545	7,719
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	4,865	3,812
Accounts receivable-customers (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$634 in 2009 and \$632 in 2008)	18,371	13,969
Unbilled revenue	23,425	17,641
Inter-company receivable	214	309
Other accounts receivable (less allowance for doubtful accounts of \$443 in 2009 and 2008)	3,779	4,348
Materials and supplies, at average cost	1,796	1,543
Regulatory assets - current	8,693	16,018
Prepayments and other current assets	1,715	2,714
Deferred income taxes - current	3,662	2,144
Total current assets	66,520	62,498
Regulatory and Other Assets		
Regulatory assets	118,893	104,521
Other accounts receivable	8,471	8,167
Other	9,495	9,402
Total regulatory and other assets	136,859	122,090
Total Assets	\$ 1,020,344	\$ 970,150

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GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY
BALANCE SHEETS
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES
(Unaudited)

(in thousands)	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
Capitalization		
Common shares, no par value, no stated value	\$ 195,526	\$ 194,728
Earnings reinvested in the business	133,501	129,805
Total common shareholder's equity	329,027	324,533
Long-term debt	300,323	260,561
Total capitalization	629,350	585,094
Current Liabilities		
Long-term debt - current	338	326
Accounts payable	29,329	25,897
Inter-company payable	7,047	18,392
Income taxes payable to Parent	1,091	2,794
Accrued employee expenses	6,130	4,940
Accrued interest	5,241	2,391
Deferred income taxes - current		39
Unrealized loss on purchased power contracts	7,026	
Other	14,379	13,245
Total current liabilities	70,581	68,024
Other Credits		
Advances for construction	79,402	80,977
Contributions in aid of construction - net	90,594	89,519
Deferred income taxes	90,787	83,765
Unamortized investment tax credits	2,177	2,245
Accrued pension and other postretirement benefits	49,220	52,235
Other	8,233	8,291
Total other credits	320,413	317,032
Commitments and Contingencies (Note 8)		
Total Capitalization and Liabilities	\$ 1,020,344	\$ 970,150

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GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY
STATEMENTS OF INCOME

FOR THE THREE MONTHS
ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 AND 2008
(Unaudited)

(in thousands)	2009	Three Months Ended September 30, 2009	2008
Operating Revenues			
Water	\$ 76,121	\$	67,316
Electric	6,563		6,743
Total operating revenues	82,684		74,059
Operating Expenses			
Water purchased	13,822		14,889
Power purchased for pumping	3,131		3,293
Groundwater production assessment	3,247		2,791
Power purchased for resale	2,793		3,345
Unrealized loss on purchased power contracts			3,741
Supply cost balancing accounts	4,806		(490)
Other operation expenses	6,557		6,055
Administrative and general expenses	13,711		13,054
Depreciation and amortization	7,716		7,252
Maintenance	3,303		3,289
Property and other taxes	3,145		2,791
Total operating expenses	62,231		60,010
Operating Income	20,453		14,049
Other Income and Expenses			
Interest expense	(5,693)		(5,018)
Interest income	170		284
Other	30		(22)
Total other income and expenses	(5,493)		(4,756)
Income from operations before income tax expense	14,960		9,293
Income tax expense	6,418		3,945
Net Income	\$ 8,542	\$	5,348

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GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY
STATEMENTS OF INCOME

FOR THE NINE MONTHS
ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 AND 2008
(Unaudited)

(in thousands)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009	2008
Operating Revenues		
Water	\$ 203,594	\$ 181,235
Electric	21,083	21,754
Total operating revenues	224,677	202,989
Operating Expenses		
Water purchased	33,764	35,572
Power purchased for pumping	7,233	7,365
Groundwater production assessment	8,621	8,056
Power purchased for resale	9,158	10,179
Unrealized gain on purchased power contracts		(766)
Supply cost balancing accounts	11,666	(1,269)
Other operation expenses	18,841	17,799
Administrative and general expenses	39,809	36,655
Depreciation and amortization	23,150	21,746
Maintenance	9,340	10,408
Property and other taxes	8,511	8,200
Net gain on sale of property	(15)	
Total operating expenses	170,078	153,945
Operating Income	54,599	49,044
Other Income and Expenses		
Interest expense	(16,112)	(15,035)
Interest income	665	1,370
Other	71	69
Total other income and expenses	(15,376)	(13,596)
Income from operations before income tax expense	39,223	35,448
Income tax expense	16,074	14,576
Net Income	\$ 23,149	\$ 20,872

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**GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOW**

**FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2009 AND 2008
(Unaudited)**

(in thousands)	Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009	2008
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$ 23,149	\$ 20,872
Adjustments for non-cash items:		
Depreciation and amortization	23,150	21,746
Provision for doubtful accounts	736	628
Deferred income taxes and investment tax credits	5,678	4,180
Unrealized gain on purchased power contracts		(766)
Stock-based compensation expense	783	940
Other net	787	377
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable customers	(5,138)	(3,810)
Unbilled revenue	(5,784)	(3,702)
Other accounts receivable	265	783
Materials and supplies	(253)	(152)
Prepayments and other current assets	999	849
Regulatory assets supply cost balancing accounts	11,666	(1,269)
Other assets (including other regulatory assets)	(13,078)	(1,524)
Accounts payable	2,728	4,236
Inter-company receivable/payable	(50)	338
Income taxes receivable/payable from/to Parent	(1,703)	(1,679)
Accrued pension and other postretirement benefits	(3,015)	(77)
Other liabilities	6,363	3,032
Net cash provided	47,283	45,002
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		
Construction expenditures	(53,118)	(55,455)
Net cash used	(53,118)	(55,455)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of Common Shares to Parent		30,000
Receipt of advances for and contributions in aid of construction	1,015	4,197
Refunds on advances for construction	(2,827)	(3,047)
Proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt, net of issuance costs	39,750	
Repayments of long-term debt	(226)	(272)
Net change in inter-company borrowings	(11,200)	(12,510)
Dividends paid	(19,400)	(8,800)
Other net	(224)	28
Net cash provided	6,888	9,596
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,053	(857)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	3,812	1,389
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 4,865	\$ 532

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**AMERICAN STATES WATER COMPANY
AND
GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY
NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

(Unaudited)

Note 1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

General / Nature of Operations: American States Water Company (AWR) is the parent company of Golden State Water Company (GSWC), Chaparral City Water Company (CCWC) and American States Utility Services, Inc. (ASUS) and its subsidiaries, Fort Bliss Water Services Company, Terrapin Utility Services, Inc., Old Dominion Utility Services, Inc., Palmetto State Utility Services, Inc., and Old North Utility Services, Inc.

GSWC is a public utility engaged principally in the purchase, production, distribution and sale of water in California serving approximately 255,000 water customers. GSWC also distributes electricity in several San Bernardino Mountain communities serving approximately 23,000 electric customers. The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) regulates GSWC 's water and electric businesses, including properties, rates, services, facilities and other matters. CCWC is a public utility regulated by the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) serving over 13,000 customers in the town of Fountain Hills, Arizona and a portion of the City of Scottsdale, Arizona. ASUS performs water and wastewater related services and operations on a contract basis. Through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, ASUS has agreements with the U.S. government to operate and maintain the water and/or wastewater systems at various military bases pursuant to 50-year fixed price contracts, which are subject to periodic price redeterminations and modifications for changes in circumstances. There is no direct regulatory oversight by either the CPUC or the ACC of the operation or rates of either the contracted services provided by ASUS and its wholly owned subsidiaries or AWR. AWR 's assets, revenues and operations are primarily those of GSWC.

Basis of Presentation: The consolidated financial statements of AWR include the accounts of AWR and its subsidiaries, all of which are wholly owned. These financial statements are prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated in the AWR consolidated financial statements. Investments in partially-owned affiliates are accounted for by the equity method when Registrant 's ownership interest exceeds 20%. The consolidated financial statements included herein have been prepared by Registrant, without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for annual financial statements have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations. The preparation of the consolidated financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. In the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting of normal, recurring items and estimates necessary for a fair statement of the results for the interim periods, have been made. It is suggested that these consolidated financial statements be read in conjunction with Registrant 's consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 filed with the SEC.

GSWC's Related Party Transactions: GSWC and other subsidiaries provide and receive various services to and from their parent, AWR, and among themselves. In addition, AWR has a \$115 million syndicated credit facility. AWR borrows under this facility and provides funds to its subsidiaries, including GSWC, in support of their operations. GSWC is also able to obtain letters of credit under this facility. Amounts owed to AWR for borrowings under this facility are included in inter-company payables on GSWC's balance sheets as of September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008. The interest rate charged to GSWC and other affiliates is sufficient to cover AWR's interest cost under the credit facility. GSWC also allocates certain corporate office administrative and general costs to its affiliates using allocation factors agreed upon by the CPUC.

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Long-Term Debt: A senior note was issued on March 10, 2009, to CoBank, ACB (Co-Bank). Under the terms of this senior note, CoBank purchased a 6.7% Senior Note due March 10, 2019 in the aggregate principal amount of \$40.0 million from GSWC. This note also provides for patronage, where GSWC shares in the profits of CoBank. If the current amount of patronage continues to be paid, the annual cost of the note is at or below 6.0%. The proceeds have been used to pay down short-term borrowings and fund capital expenditures.

Sales and Use Taxes: GSWC bills certain sales and use taxes levied by state or local governments to its customers. Included in these sales and use taxes are franchise fees, which GSWC pays to various municipalities (based on ordinances adopted by these municipalities) in order to use public right of way for utility purposes. GSWC bills these franchise fees to its customers based on a CPUC-authorized rate. These franchise fees, which are required to be paid regardless of GSWC's ability to collect from the customer, are accounted for on a gross basis. GSWC's franchise fees recorded were approximately \$782,000 and \$718,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and \$2,116,000 and \$2,052,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. When GSWC acts as an agent, and the tax is not required to be remitted if it is not collected from the customer, the taxes are accounted for on a net basis.

Depending on the state in which the operations are conducted, ASUS and its subsidiaries are also subject to certain state non-income tax assessments generally computed on a gross receipts or gross revenues basis. These non-income tax assessments are required to be paid regardless of whether the subsidiary is reimbursed by the U.S. government for these assessments under its 50-year contracts with the U.S. government. The non-income tax assessments are accounted for on a gross basis and totaled \$234,000 and \$521,000 during the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and \$563,000 and \$521,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

New Accounting Pronouncements: In December 2007, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued revised authoritative guidance on business combinations which establishes principles and requirements for how the acquirer in a business combination: (i) recognizes and measures in its financial statements the identifiable assets acquired, the liabilities assumed, and any noncontrolling interest in the acquire, (ii) recognizes and measures the goodwill acquired in the business combination, and (iii) determines what information to disclose to enable users of the financial statements to evaluate the nature and financial effects of the business combination. The guidance was effective for the Company beginning January 1, 2009. Accordingly, any business combinations that Registrant may engage in subsequent to that date will be recorded and disclosed under the new guidance.

In December 2007, the FASB also amended authoritative guidance on noncontrolling interests in consolidated financial statements. The objective of this guidance is to improve the relevance, comparability, and transparency of the financial information that a reporting entity provides in its consolidated financial statements by establishing accounting and reporting standards for the noncontrolling interest in a subsidiary and for the deconsolidation of a subsidiary. The amended guidance was effective for the Company beginning January 1, 2009 and did not have any impact on Registrant's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In March 2008, the FASB amended its guidance on disclosures about derivatives and hedging activities. The amended guidance requires qualitative disclosures about objectives and strategies for using derivatives, quantitative disclosures about fair value amounts of gains and losses on derivative instruments and disclosures about credit-risk-related contingent features in derivative agreements. This guidance was effective for the Company beginning January 1, 2009 and did not have any impact on Registrant's consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows. The adoption of the new guidance did result in enhanced qualitative disclosure of Registrant's derivative instrument as discussed in Note 4.

In December 2008, the FASB amended its guidance on disclosures about postretirement benefit plans to require additional disclosures about plan assets held in an employer's defined benefit pension or other postretirement plan, and to provide users of financial statements with an understanding of (i) how investment allocation decisions are made, including the factors that are pertinent to an understanding of investment policies and strategies, (ii) the major categories of plan assets, (iii) the inputs and valuation techniques used to measure the fair value of plan assets including the level within the fair value hierarchy, using the guidance on fair value measurements, and (iv) significant concentrations of risk within plan assets. The amended guidance is effective for the Company beginning January 1, 2010. Registrant is evaluating the potential impact of this new amended guidance.

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In April 2009, the FASB issued guidance requiring disclosures beginning in the second quarter of 2009 about the fair value of all financial instruments, for which it is practicable to estimate that fair value, for interim and annual reporting periods. Since this new guidance impacts disclosure only, the adoption of this position will not have an impact on Registrant's consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows. This enhanced disclosure is provided in Note 5.

In May 2009, the FASB issued guidance on subsequent events, establishing general standards of accounting for and disclosure of events that occur after the balance sheet date but before the financial statements are issued or are available to be issued. The guidance requires disclosure of the date through which an entity has evaluated subsequent events and the basis for that date, that is, whether that date represents the date the financial statements were issued or available to be issued. This guidance was effective beginning in the second quarter of 2009 and impacted disclosure only. Registrant has performed an evaluation of subsequent events through November 5, 2009, which is the date the financial statements were issued.

In June 2009, the FASB issued revised guidance which enhances information reported to users of financial statements by providing greater transparency about transfers of financial assets and a company's continuing involvement in transferred assets. It removes the concept of qualifying special purpose entity from US GAAP, changes the requirements for derecognizing financial assets and requires additional disclosures about a transferor's continuing involvement in transferred financial assets. This revised guidance is effective for the Company beginning January 1, 2010 and is not expected to have any impact on Registrant's consolidated results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

In June 2009, the FASB amended the guidance on consolidation for variable interest entities. The new guidance requires a company to perform a qualitative analysis when determining whether it must consolidate a variable interest entity. This guidance also amends how to determine whether an entity is a variable interest entity. A company must now disclose how its involvement with a variable interest entity affects the company's financial statements and disclose any significant judgments and assumptions made in determining whether it must consolidate a variable interest entity. This guidance is effective for the Company beginning January 1, 2010. Registrant is currently evaluating the potential impact of this new guidance.

In June 2009, the FASB issued guidance on the codification of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). This guidance was effective for the Company beginning in the third quarter of 2009. The FASB Accounting Standards Codification became the source of authoritative GAAP recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities. Rules and interpretive releases of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under authority of federal securities laws are also sources of authoritative GAAP for SEC registrants. On the effective date of this guidance, the Codification superseded all then-existing accounting and reporting standards, other than rules and interpretative releases issued by the SEC. The adoption of the new guidance did not have any impact on the Company's financial statements.

Other accounting guidance that have been issued or proposed by the FASB or other standards-setting bodies that do not require adoption until a future date are not expected to have a material impact on Registrant's consolidated financial statements upon adoption.

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In accordance with the accounting guidance for rate-regulated enterprises, Registrant records regulatory assets, which represent probable future revenue associated with certain costs that will be recovered from customers through the ratemaking process, and regulatory liabilities, which represent probable future reductions in revenue associated with amounts that are to be credited to customers through the ratemaking process. At September 30, 2009, Registrant had approximately \$19.4 million of regulatory assets not accruing carrying costs. Of this amount, \$6.9 million relates to deferred income taxes representing accelerated tax benefits flowed-through to ratepayers, which will be included in rates concurrently with recognition of the associated future tax expense, \$7.0 million relates to a memorandum account authorized by the CPUC to track unrealized gains and losses on GSWC's purchased power contracts, and \$2.2 million relates to general rate case memorandum accounts to be recovered within 12 months. The remainder relates to other expenses that do not provide for recovery of carrying costs that Registrant expects to recover in rates over a short period.

Regulatory assets, less regulatory liabilities, included in the consolidated balance sheets are as follows:

(In thousands)	September 30, 2009	December 31, 2008
GSWC		
Electric supply cost balancing account	\$ 13,307	\$ 16,077
Water supply cost balancing accounts	6,453	11,807
Water revenue adjustment mechanism, net of modified cost balancing accounts	12,575	825
Water conservation memorandum accounts	2,292	
Costs deferred for future recovery on Aerojet case	19,918	20,613
Pensions and other postretirement obligations	38,850	40,939
Flow-through taxes, net	6,853	7,134
Electric transmission line abandonment costs	2,873	3,001
Asset retirement obligations	3,901	3,646
Low income rate assistance balancing accounts	4,077	4,758
General rate case memorandum accounts	2,215	4,922
Santa Maria adjudication memorandum accounts	3,943	4,011
Derivative losses (gains) memorandum account	7,026	
Refund of water right lease revenues	(1,948)	(2,360)
Other regulatory assets, net	5,251	5,166
Total GSWC	\$ 127,586	\$ 120,539
CCWC		
Asset retirement obligations	\$ 58	\$ 55
Other regulatory liabilities, net	(1,240)	(427)
Total AWR	\$ 126,404	\$ 120,167

Regulatory matters are discussed in detail in the consolidated financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008 filed with the SEC. The discussion below focuses on significant matters and changes since December 31, 2008.

Supply Cost Balancing Accounts:

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Electric Supply Cost Balancing Account Electric power costs incurred by GSWC's Bear Valley Electric Service (BVES) division continue to be charged to its electric supply cost balancing account. The under-collection in the electric supply cost balancing account is \$13.3 million and \$16.1 million at September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, respectively, a reduction in the under-collection of \$2.8 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2009. As of September 30, 2009, the electric supply cost balancing account consists of under-collections incurred during the energy crisis in late 2000 and 2001, costs of abandonment of a transmission line upgrade and increases in purchased energy and power system delivery costs discussed below.

The CPUC has authorized GSWC to collect a surcharge from its customers of 2.2¢ per kilowatt hour through August 2011, to enable GSWC to recover an under-collection of approximately \$23.1 million at the end of 2001 which had been incurred during the energy crisis in late 2000 and 2001. GSWC sold 30,364,064 and

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31,939,690 kilowatt hours of electricity to its BVES customers for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and sold 100,800,183 and 105,354,442 kilowatt hours of electricity to its customers for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. As a result of the surcharge, the supply cost balancing account was reduced by approximately \$675,000 and \$720,000 for the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and \$2,240,000 and \$2,361,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. Approximately \$22.4 million of the \$23.1 million under-collection incurred during the energy crisis in late 2000 and 2001 has been recovered through this surcharge. Therefore, as of September 30, 2009 approximately \$728,000 related to the energy crisis remains to be recovered through this surcharge. GSWC anticipates the surcharge, based on projected electricity sales, to be sufficient for it to recover by August 2011 the amount of the under-collected balance incurred during the energy crisis. However, in 2011, if GSWC has not fully recovered the amount of this under collection, GSWC will seek additional recovery from the CPUC of any amounts not recovered through this surcharge.

Changes in purchased energy and power system delivery costs as compared to CPUC authorized rates have also impacted the electric supply cost balancing account by \$8.9 million under-collection as of September 30, 2009. The purchased energy costs that are recorded in the supply cost balancing account are subject to a price cap by terms of a 2001 settlement which was subsequently approved in a CPUC decision. The BVES division of GSWC is allowed to include its actual recorded purchased energy costs up to a weighted annual average cost of \$77 per megawatt-hour (MWh) through August 2011 in its electric supply cost balancing account. BVES began receiving power under a new purchased power contract in January 1, 2009. The main product under the new contract provides for 13 MWs of electric energy at a fixed price of \$63.75 per MWh during 2009 as compared to \$74.65 per MWh during 2008. The reduction in the actual price of purchased power helps decrease the under-collection balance in the electric supply cost balancing account. To the extent that the actual weighted average annual cost for power purchased exceeds the \$77 per MWh amount, GSWC will not be able to include these amounts in its balancing account and such amounts will be expensed. There were no amounts expensed over the \$77 per MWh cap during the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008.

Charges to GSWC by Southern California Edison (Edison) associated with the transportation of energy over Edison s power system and the abandonment of a transmission line upgrade have increased under Edison s tariff to levels that exceed the amounts authorized by the CPUC in BVES retail power rates to its customers. The incremental cost increase to GSWC from the tariff for the abandonment of a transmission line upgrade, which is not currently included in rates, is \$38,137 per month. The incremental costs of \$3.7 million at September 30, 2009 not included in rates have been included in the balancing account at September 30, 2009 for subsequent recovery from customers, subject to CPUC approval.

Power system delivery costs are not subject to the \$77 per MWh price cap referenced above. Other components, such as interest accrued on the cumulative under-collected balance and power lost during transmission, also affect the balance of the electric supply cost balancing account.

Water Supply Cost Balancing Accounts As permitted by the CPUC, Registrant maintains water supply cost balancing accounts for GSWC to account for under-collections and over-collections of revenues designed to recover such costs. The supply cost balancing accounts track differences between the current cost for supply items (water, power and pump taxes) charged by GSWC s suppliers and the cost for those items incorporated into GSWC s rates. Under-collections (recorded as regulatory assets) occur when the current cost exceeds the amount in rates for these items and, conversely, over-collections (recorded as regulatory liabilities) occur when the current cost of these items is less than the amount in rates. Typically, under-collections or over-collections, when they occur, are tracked in the supply cost balancing accounts for future recovery or refund through a surcharge (in the event of an under-collection) or through a surcredit (in the event of an over-collection) on customers bills. Registrant accrues interest on its supply cost balancing accounts at the rate prevailing for 90-day commercial paper. Registrant does not maintain a supply cost balancing account for CCWC.

For the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, approximately \$339,000 and \$1.8 million of under-collections (including interest), respectively, were recorded in the water supply cost balancing accounts. For the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008,

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approximately \$1.1 million and \$3.9 million of under-collections (including interest), respectively, were recorded in the water supply cost balancing accounts. Amortization of surcharges that are in rates to recover under-collections from customers and surcredits that are in rates to refund over-collections to customers also increase or decrease the water supply cost balancing accounts, as applicable. During the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, approximately \$2.7 million and \$860,000, respectively, of surcharges were billed to customers to decrease previously incurred under-collections in

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the water supply cost balancing accounts. During the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, approximately \$6.5 million and \$613,000 of surcharges were billed to customers to decrease previously incurred under-collections in the water supply cost balancing accounts.

As of September 30, 2009, there is a net under-collection of approximately \$6.5 million in the water supply cost balancing accounts. Of this amount, approximately \$3.5 million relates to GSWC's Region III customer service area. The remaining \$3.0 million net under-collections in the water supply cost balancing accounts relate to GSWC's Region I net under-collection of \$2.6 million and Region II's net under-collection of \$0.4 million. Currently, there are surcharges in place at each of the three regions to recover these under-collections over a period ranging from 12 to 24 months. When these surcharges expire, any unrecovered balances will be included for recovery in a future filing.

On August 21, 2008, the CPUC issued a final decision which approved a settlement agreement between GSWC and the CPUC's Division of Ratepayer Advocates (DRA) regarding conservation rate design. As a result of this decision, GSWC is permitted to establish a Modified Cost Balancing Account (MCBA) that will permit GSWC to recover supply costs related to changes in water supply mix in addition to rate changes by GSWC's suppliers. GSWC implemented this MCBA in late November 2008 for Regions II and III and September 1, 2009 for Region I. This account replaces the current water supply cost balancing account procedure for costs incurred after the modified supply cost balancing account was implemented.

Water Revenue Adjustment Mechanism (WRAM) and Modified Cost Balancing Account:

With the adoption of the WRAM and the MCBA effective November 25, 2008 for Regions II and III and September 1, 2009 for Region I, GSWC began recording the difference between what is billed to its regulated customers and that authorized by the CPUC. Under the WRAM, GSWC records the adopted level of volumetric revenues as authorized by the CPUC for metered accounts (adopted volumetric revenues). While the WRAM tracks volumetric-based revenues, the revenue requirements approved by the CPUC include service charges, flat rate charges, and other items that are not subject to the WRAM. Approximately 66% of GSWC's total adopted revenues are volumetric-based. The adopted volumetric revenues considers the seasonality of consumption of water based upon historical averages. The variance between adopted volumetric revenues and actual billed volumetric revenues for metered accounts is recorded as a component of revenue with an offsetting entry to a regulatory asset or liability balancing account. The variance amount may be positive (under-collection) or negative (over-collection) and represents amounts that will be billed or refunded to customers in the future.

Under the MCBA, GSWC began tracking adopted expense levels for purchased water, purchased power and pump taxes, as established by the CPUC. Variances (which include the effects of changes in both rate and volume) between adopted and actual purchased water, purchased power, and pump tax expenses are recorded as a component of the supply cost balancing account provision, as the amount of such variances will be recovered from or refunded to GSWC's customers at a later date. This is reflected with an offsetting entry to a regulatory asset or liability balancing account.

The balances in the WRAM and MCBA assets and liabilities accounts will fluctuate on a monthly basis depending upon the variance between adopted and actual results. The recovery or refund of the WRAM is netted against the MCBA over-or under-collection for the corresponding Region. The over-or-under collections bear interest at the current 90 day commercial paper rate. GSWC intends to seek approval from the CPUC to refund or collect the balance in the accounts when the amount for WRAM net of MCBA achieves a pre-determined level (i.e., at least 2.5 percent over-or under-recovery of the approved revenue requirement). Account balances less than those levels may be refunded or collected in GSWC's general rate case proceedings or aggregated with future calendar year balances for comparison with the pre-determined recovery level of 2.5 percent of adopted revenues. As of September 30, 2009, GSWC has a net aggregated regulatory asset of \$12.6 million which is comprised of a \$16.5 million under-collection in the WRAM accounts and \$3.9 million over-collection in the MCBA accounts. The revenue

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requirement and volumetric revenues are adopted as part of a General Rate Case (GRC) every three years. Region I will file its next GRC in January 2010 with new rates effective for 2011 and 2012. All water regions will file one GRC in July of 2011 with rates effective January 2013. As part of future GRCs, the CPUC is expected to adopt new volumetric revenues based on historical usage patterns and the revenue requirement adopted in these GRCs.

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Water Conservation Memorandum Accounts (WCMA)

The CPUC also approved an advice letter filing in a separate proceeding to allow GSWC to create and implement a Water Conservation Memorandum Account (WCMA) to track the extraordinary expenses and revenue shortfall associated with conservation measures in conjunction with the declared drought in California. The WCMA was effective August 18, 2008 and was used to track on-going extraordinary expenses, and the revenue shortfall until the WRAM was implemented on November 25, 2008 for Regions II and III and September 1, 2009 for Region I. On November 24, 2008, approximately \$2.0 million of net under-collections were included in the WCMA for Regions II and III prior to the implementation of the WRAM. On April 16, 2009, the CPUC approved the advice letter filed by GSWC to recover the \$2.0 million through a 12-month surcharge to customers' bills. The surcharge went into effect on April 21, 2009. Accordingly, GSWC established a \$2.0 million regulatory asset for Regions II and III during the second quarter of 2009. At September 30, 2009, the balance for Regions II and III is \$1.2 million, net of amounts collected from customers through the 12-month surcharge. In addition, GSWC established an \$852,000 regulatory asset in the second quarter of 2009 for the activity in Region I's WCMA through June 30, 2009 and an additional \$297,000 during the third quarter of 2009 for a total balance at September 30, 2009 of \$1.1 million. The regulatory asset for Region I's WCMA balance was incurred during the period of August 18, 2008 through August 31, 2009. Management believes that these amounts are also probable of recovery. In October 2009, GSWC filed an advice letter for recovery of Region I's WCMA, through a 12-month surcharge for amounts incurred during the period of August 18, 2008 through August 31, 2009.

Costs Deferred for Future Recovery:

In 1999, GSWC sued Aerojet-General Corporation (Aerojet) for contaminating the Sacramento County Groundwater Basin, which affected certain GSWC wells. On a related matter, GSWC also filed a lawsuit against the State of California (the State). The CPUC authorized memorandum accounts to allow for recovery, from customers, of costs incurred by GSWC in prosecuting the cases against Aerojet and the State, less any recovery from the defendants or others. On July 21, 2005, the CPUC authorized GSWC to collect approximately \$21.3 million of the Aerojet litigation memorandum account, through a rate surcharge, which will continue for no longer than 20 years. Beginning in October 2005, new rates went into effect to begin amortizing the memorandum account over a 20-year period. A rate surcharge generating approximately \$277,000 and \$299,000 was billed to customers during the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and \$740,000 and \$789,000 during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively. GSWC will keep the Aerojet memorandum account open until the earlier of full amortization of the balance or 20 years. However, no costs will be added to the memorandum account, other than on-going interest charges approved by the CPUC decision. Pursuant to the decision, additional interest of approximately \$12,000 and \$111,000 was added to the Aerojet litigation memorandum account during the three months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively, and \$45,000 and \$367,000 was added to the Aerojet memorandum account during the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Aerojet has also agreed to reimburse GSWC \$17.5 million, plus interest accruing from January 1, 2004, for GSWC's past legal and expert costs, which is included in the Aerojet litigation memorandum account. The reimbursement of the \$17.5 million is contingent upon the issuance of land use approvals for development in a defined area within Aerojet property in Eastern Sacramento County and the receipt of certain fees in connection with such development. The Westborough development is within the defined area in the settlement agreement. It is management's intention to offset certain proceeds from the housing development by Aerojet in the Westborough areas, pursuant to the settlement agreement, against the balance in this litigation memorandum account. At this time, management believes the full balance of the Aerojet litigation memorandum account will be collected by 2025.

Pensions and Other Postretirement Obligations:

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There was an increase in the underfunded status of the pension plan during 2008 which has resulted in higher pension costs during 2009. The amount included in rates for recovery of pension costs in 2009 were previously established in that last GRC and did not include this higher level of costs. In March 2009, GSWC filed an advice letter with the CPUC requesting authorization to establish a Pension Costs Memorandum Account to track the difference between the pension costs authorized by the CPUC and included in customer rates, and actual pension costs in 2009. The CPUC denied this request indicating that amounts established in the previous GRC will remain in effect. GSWC also amended its current rate case application to request a two-way balancing account to track fluctuations in the forecasted annual pension expense adopted in rates and the actual annual expense to be recorded by GSWC in 2010, 2011 and 2012 in accordance with the accounting guidance for pension costs. If approved as filed, GSWC w