

AMERICAN STATES WATER CO

Form 8-K

June 08, 2010

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) June 7, 2010

AMERICAN STATES WATER COMPANY  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California	001-14431	95-4676679
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

630 East Foothill Blvd.

San Dimas, California	91773
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (909) 394-3600

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing requirement of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2 below):

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**Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))**

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**Item 8.01. Other Events**

San Dimas, California, June 8, 2010 . . . American States Water Company (NYSE:AWR) announced today that it has entered into a Stock Purchase Agreement (the “Agreement”) with EPCOR Water (USA) Inc. to sell all of the common shares of Chaparral City Water Company (“Chaparral”), a wholly-own subsidiary of AWR in Arizona, for an estimated total purchase price of \$35 million, including the assumption of approximately \$6 million of long-term debt. Approximately \$29 million in cash will be paid to AWR at closing. The purchase price is subject to certain adjustments for changes in retained earnings. The consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Agreement is subject to customary conditions, including among other things, regulatory approval by the Arizona Corporation Commission (“ACC”), which is anticipated to be received in 2011.

A copy of the Company’s press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

This Form 8-K and the attached exhibit are furnished to, but not filed with, the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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**Section 9 – Financial Statement and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Exhibit No.    Description**

99.1            Press Release: American States Water Company Announces Agreement to Sell Arizona Utility

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN STATES WATER COMPANY

Date: June 8, 2010 /s/ Eva G. Tang

Eva G. Tang

Senior Vice President-Finance, Chief Financial  
Officer, Corporate Secretary and Treasurer

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