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AMERICAN STATES WATER CO Form 8-K October 11, 2005

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) October 7, 2005

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.)

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

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

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):

- |_| Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act
 (17 CFR 230.425)
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- |_| Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- |_| Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 7, 2005 American States Water Company announced that the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC") approved a rate increase for Chaparral City Water Company ("CCWC"), a subsidiary of American States Water Company in Arizona. The rate increase was effective on October 1, 2005 and is expected to generate additional annual revenues of \$1.1 million, an 18% increase over current revenues. 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.

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 Approval

by ACC of Increase in Rates

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: October 7, 2005 /s/ Robert J. Sprowls

Robert J. Sprowls

Sr. Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Corporate Secretary
