ANWORTH MORTGAGE ASSET CORP Form 8-K February 01, 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

January 27, 2010 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ANWORTH MORTGAGE ASSET CORPORATION.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

<u>Maryland</u> (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-1370952-2059785(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1299 Ocean Avenue, Second Floor, Santa Monica, California90401(Address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)

<u>(310) 255-4493</u>

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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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 January 27, 2010, the Board of Directors of Anworth Mortgage Asset Corporation (the "Company") authorized the Company to acquire up to 5,845,000 shares of its common stock, or approximately 5% of its total shares of common stock outstanding, through a stock repurchase plan. A copy of the press release announcing approval of the stock repurchase plan is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

On January 28, 2010, the Company issued a press release announcing tax information regarding its dividend distributions for the year ended December 31, 2009, which is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information referenced in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2) is being "furnished" under Item 7.01. of Form 8-K and, as such, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information set forth in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including Exhibit 99.1 and Exhibit 99.2) shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed by the Company pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

As discussed therein, the press releases contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, and, as such, may involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions. These forward-looking statements relate to the Company's current expectations and are subject to the limitations and qualifications set forth in the press releases as well as in the Company's other documents filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, including, without limitation, that actual events and/or results may differ materially from those projected in such forward-looking statements.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not Applicable.
- (b) Not Applicable.
- (c) Not Applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1

Press Release dated February 1, 2010 announcing a stock repurchase plan.

Exhibit 99.2

Press Release dated January 28, 2010 announcing dividend information.

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.

ANWORTH MORTGAGE ASSET CORPORATION

Date: February 1, 2010 By: <u>/s/ Lloyd McAdams</u> Chief Executive Officer

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