



American States Water Company Announces an 8.2% Increase in Quarterly Dividend

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- *Quarterly dividend rate has grown at a CAGR of 8.4% over the last five years*

SAN DIMAS, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jul. 29, 2026-- On July 28, 2026, the Board of Directors of American States Water Company (NYSE:AWR) approved an increase in the company's third quarter cash dividend to \$0.5455 per share from \$0.5040 per share on the common shares of the company. The annualized dividend rate after this increase is \$2.182 per share, which represents an 8.2% increase from the current annualized dividend rate of \$2.016 per share. This action marks the 361st consecutive dividend payment by the company. American States Water Company has paid dividends every year since 1931, increasing the dividends received by shareholders each calendar year for 72 consecutive years, which places it in an exclusive group of companies on the New York Stock Exchange that have achieved that result. The company has grown its quarterly dividend rate at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 8.4% over the last five years since the third quarter of 2021 and is on pace to achieve a 10-year CAGR of 8.7% in its calendar year dividend payments through 2026. The company's current policy is to achieve a compound annual growth rate in the dividend of more than 7% over the long-term.

"Our board of directors once again approved a significant increase in the dividend reflecting its continued confidence in the company's ability to achieve long-term sustainable earnings growth and its desire to be a leader in the industry for dividend growth," said Robert J. Sprowls, President and CEO of American States Water Company. "A growing dividend allows the company to attract capital for investments in infrastructure that enable us to provide safe and reliable services to our customers."

Dividends on the common shares will be payable on September 2, 2026 to shareholders of record at the close of business on August 17, 2026.

Forward-Looking Statements

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About American States Water Company

American States Water Company is the parent of Golden State Water Company, Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc. and American States Utility Services, Inc., serving over one million people in ten states. Through its water utility subsidiary, Golden State Water Company, the company provides water service to approximately 265,200 customer connections located within more than 80 communities in Northern, Coastal and Southern California. Through its electric utility subsidiary, Bear Valley Electric Service, Inc., the company distributes electricity to approximately 24,900 customer connections in the City of Big Bear Lake and surrounding areas in San Bernardino County, California. Through its contracted services subsidiary, American States Utility Services, Inc., the company provides operations, maintenance and construction management services for water distribution, wastewater collection, and treatment facilities located on twelve military bases throughout the country under 50-year privatization contracts with the U.S. government in 8 states and one military base under a 15-year contract in 1 additional state.

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