
**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): February 7, 2023

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

California (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	001-14431 (Commission File Number)	95-4676679 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
630 East Foothill Blvd. (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	San Dimas CA	91773-1212 (Zip Code)
(909) 394-3600 Registrant's telephone number, including area code		

**GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

California (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	001-12008 (Commission File Number)	95-1243678 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
630 East Foothill Blvd. (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	San Dimas CA	91773-1212 (Zip Code)
Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)		

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 (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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol(s)</u>	<u>Name of each exchange on which registered</u>
American States Water Company Common Shares	AWR	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company ☐

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. ☐

Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02(d). Election of Directors.

On February 7, 2023, the Board of Directors of American States Water Company (NYSE:AWR) appointed Thomas A. Eichelberger as a director to be effective February 8, 2023 in order to fill a vacancy on the Board created by the resignation of Sarah J. Anderson. He will stand for election along with other class III directors at the annual meeting in 2023. Mr. Eichelberger was also appointed as a director of AWR's wholly-owned subsidiary, Golden State Water Company.

There is no arrangement or understanding between Mr. Eichelberger and any other person pursuant to which he was appointed as a director of both companies. Mr. Eichelberger has not had any direct or indirect material interest in any transaction between the Company or any of its subsidiaries involving more than \$120,000 since January 1, 2022 nor is there any such proposed transaction.

Section 9- Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

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

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated February 13, 2023.

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.

February 13, 2023

AMERICAN STATES WATER COMPANY:

/s/ Eva G. Tang

Eva G. Tang

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

February 13, 2023

GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY:

/s/ Eva G. Tang

Eva G. Tang

Senior Vice President-Finance, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary



American States Water Company Announces Appointment of New Director

San Dimas, California. . . Effective February 8, 2023, American States Water Company (NYSE:AWR) appointed Thomas A. Eichelberger as a director of the company in order to fill a vacancy on the board created by the resignation of Sarah J. Anderson. He will stand for election along with other class III directors at the annual meeting in 2023. Mr. Eichelberger was also appointed as a director of the company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Golden State Water Company.

Mr. Eichelberger had a distinguished 37-year career in public accounting, retiring in May 2022 as an Audit Partner at Deloitte & Touche LLP. He served complex companies, with a primary focus on serving large utility holding companies with rate-regulated subsidiaries in the electric, gas, and water industries. He also served large non-regulated utility affiliates with significant investments in wind and solar projects. He acquired deep regulatory skills, given the active rate case profile and frequent regulatory filings of his clients. Prior to 2002 when he began his career at Deloitte & Touche LLP, he was at Arthur Andersen LLP between 1985 and 2002 and as a partner starting in 1997.

"We are very pleased to welcome Tom to our board of directors of the company," stated Anne Holloway, chairman of the board of directors of American States Water Company. "His financial acumen, industry knowledge, and public reporting and audit experience will be an asset to our board. We look forward to working with him and leveraging his wealth of experience."

Mr. Eichelberger received a Master of Science in Management from Georgia Institute of Technology and a Bachelor of Science from the University of Notre Dame. He is a Certified Public Accountant in the states of Georgia and Florida, a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and Georgia Society of Certified Public Accountants. He is on the Board of Food for Thought Outreach, a local non-profit organization in Santa Rosa Beach, Florida, and was active in the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program in Atlanta for many years. He is a former United Way Campaign Leader and former member of the Board of Directors of the Ashford Dunwoody YMCA.

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 nine states. Through its water utility subsidiary, Golden State Water Company, the company provides water service to approximately 263,000 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 24,700 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 11 military bases throughout the country under 50-year privatization contracts with the U.S. government.

American States Water Company has paid dividends to shareholders every year since 1931, increasing the dividends received by shareholders each calendar year for 68 consecutive years, which places it in an exclusive group of companies on the New York Stock Exchange that have achieved that result.

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