

AMERICAN STATES WATER CO

Form 8-K

March 31, 2008

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) March 26, 2008

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

California                                      001-14431                                      95-4676679  
(State or other jurisdiction of      (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer  
incorporation or organization)                                      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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GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California                                      001-12008                                      95-1243678  
(State or other jurisdiction of      (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer  
incorporation or organization)                                      Identification No.)  
630 East Foothill Blvd.

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

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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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**Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

In February 2007, the company agreed to reimburse Michael George, Executive Vice President of Corporate Development, up to \$2,200 per month for temporary housing in the San Dimas area until February 11, 2008, plus a tax gross-up payment to cover any portion of this reimbursement that would be included in his taxable income. On March 26, 2008, the compensation committee agreed to continue to reimburse Mr. George for these expenses until May 5, 2008.

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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: March 31, 2008 /s/ Robert J. Sprowls

Robert J. Sprowls

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial

Officer, Corporate Secretary and Treasurer