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AMERICAN STATES WATER CO Form 8-K June 13, 2013

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) June 12, 2013

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. San Dimas, California (Address of principal executive offices)

91773 (Zip Code)

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

GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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California 001-12008
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (Commission File Number)

95-1243678 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

630 East Foothill Blvd.

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

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

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Item 8.01. Other Events

Date: June 13, 2013

On June 12, 2013, American States Water Company s wholly-owned subsidiary, Golden State Water Company (GSWC), entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement (the Agreement) to purchase all of the operating assets from Rural Water Company (Rural) for the purpose of providing water utility services within Rural s service area. The consummation of the transaction contemplated by the Agreement is subject to customary conditions, including among other things, regulatory approval by the California Public Utilities Commission. Rural serves approximately 940 customers in the City of Arroyo Grande in the county of San Luis Obispo, California, which is near GSWC s other water systems in Coastal California.

This Form 8-K is furnished to, but not filed with, the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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

/s/ Eva G. Tang Eva G. Tang

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