

AMERICAN STATES WATER CO

Form 8-K

August 23, 2004

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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) August 20, 2004

**American States Water Company** (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

California (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **333-47647 95-4676679** (Commission File Number) (IR)

(909) 394-3600 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

NA (Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

On August 20 2004 American States Water Company announced that the CPUC approved retroactive rate increases for

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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

<b>EXHIBIT INDEX</b>	<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
	99.1	Press Release dated August 20, 2004