

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: March 26, 2010

MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEW JERSEY
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

0-422
(Commission
File Number)

22-1114430
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1500 RONSON ROAD, P.O. BOX 1500, ISELIN, NEW JERSEY 08830
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(732)-634-1500
(Registrant's telephone number, including area 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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Item. 8.01.

Middlesex Water Company has announced an agreement to purchase the Montague Water Company, Inc. and Montague Sewer Company, Inc. in Montague, New Jersey, as set forth in the attached press release.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf of the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY
(Registrant)

s/Kenneth J. Quinn
Kenneth J. Quinn
Vice President, General Counsel,
Secretary and Treasurer

Dated: March 26, 2010

MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY TO PURCHASE MONTAGUE WATER AND SEWER COMPANIES

ISELIN, NJ (March 26, 2010) Middlesex Water Company (**NASDAQ: MSEX**), a provider of water and wastewater services primarily in New Jersey and Delaware, today announced it has entered into an agreement to purchase Montague Water Company, Inc. and Montague Sewer Company, Inc. in Montague, New Jersey. The companies presently serve more than 2,000 people in Montague Township, located in northwestern New Jersey.

“We continue to pursue opportunities that make sense both operationally and strategically,” said Middlesex Water President & CEO Dennis W. Doll. “We also continue our focus on leveraging our solid water and wastewater capabilities in expanding our footprint both within and beyond our core New Jersey and Delaware operations. In November 2009, Middlesex Water acquired the assets of Twin Lakes Water Services, Inc., in Shohola, Pennsylvania, near the Montague systems. The proximity of these systems is expected to enhance our ability to deliver additional efficiencies for the benefit of all of these customers,” added Doll.

The transaction requires approval by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

About Middlesex Water Company

Middlesex Water Company, organized in 1897, provides regulated and unregulated water and wastewater utility services in New Jersey and Delaware through various subsidiary companies. For additional information regarding Middlesex Water Company visit our website at www.middlesexwater.com or call (732) 634-1500.

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