

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: July 30, 2009

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 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

On July 30, 2009, Middlesex Water Company (the "Company") announced that its Board of Directors, on June 30, 2009 nominated Steven M. Klein to fill a newly created vacancy on its Board of Directors, which Mr. Klein has now accepted and which becomes effective August 1, 2009 as outlined in the attached press release.

Mr. Klein is expected to be appointed to the Board's Audit Committee. There is no arrangement or understanding between Mr. Klein and any other persons pursuant to which he was elected to the Board.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following is filed herewith as an exhibit.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Company press release dated July 30, 2009.

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: July 30, 2009

STEVEN M. KLEIN NAMED TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY

ISELIN, NJ, July 30, 2009 Steven M. Klein, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Northfield Bancorp, Inc., (NASDAQ:NFBK) has been named to the Board of Directors of Middlesex Water Company, (NASDAQ:MSEX), a provider of water and wastewater and related services in New Jersey and Delaware. Mr. Klein's term becomes effective August 1, 2009 and will remain in effect until the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

Mr. Klein joined Northfield Bancorp, Inc., a federally chartered stock holding company for Northfield Bank, in 2005. Northfield Bank was organized in 1887 and operates 18 branch offices in New York and New Jersey. Prior to joining Northfield, Mr. Klein served as an audit partner with the international accounting and auditing firm KPMG LLP.

"We welcome Steve to our Board," said Dennis W. Doll, President and Chief Executive Officer of Middlesex Water. "His strong accounting, financial and overall business background is a tremendous complement to the broad-based backgrounds and skills of our existing Directors. We are confident Steve will play a valuable role in our Company's continued growth and success," added Doll.

Mr. Klein is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants, the New Jersey League of Community Bankers and America's Community Bankers. He is a graduate of Montclair State University with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

About Middlesex Water Company

Middlesex Water Company, organized in 1897, was recently named one of America's fastest growing small publicly traded companies by Fortune Small Business magazine. The Company 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 the Company's Web site at www.middlesexwater.com or call (732) 634-1500.

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