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**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 20, 2023**

**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.)

**485C ROUTE 1 SOUTH, SUITE 400, ISELIN NEW JERSEY 08830**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

**732-634-1500**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock	MSEX	NASDAQ

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On July 20, 2023, the Board of Directors of Middlesex Water Company (the "Company") declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.3125 per share on its common stock, payable on September 1, 2023 to shareholders of record as of August 11, 2023. A copy of the press release announcing the dividend declaration is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated into this Form 8-K by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description of Document
<a href="#">99.1</a>	<a href="#">Press Release issued by Middlesex Water Company, dated July 20, 2023.</a>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document).

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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/ A. Bruce O'Connor

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A. Bruce O'Connor

Sr. Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: July 20, 2023

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Middlesex Water Company Declares  
Quarterly Cash Dividend**

ISELIN, N.J., July 20, 2023 – Middlesex Water Company (NASDAQ:MSEX) announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend of \$0.3125 per share on its common stock, payable September 1, 2023 to shareholders of record as of August 11, 2023. Middlesex Water Company has paid cash dividends in varying amounts continually since 1912 and has increased its annual dividend rate for 50 consecutive years.

Middlesex Water is an investor-owned water and wastewater utility, serving customers primarily in central and southern New Jersey and Delaware. The Company is currently offering a 3% discount on all Common Stock purchases made under its Investment Plan whether by optional cash payment or by dividend reinvestment. The discount will continue until 200,000 shares are purchased at the discounted price or December 1, 2023, whichever event occurs first. To learn more visit <https://shareholder.broadridge.com/middlesexwater>

**About Middlesex Water Company**

Established in 1897, Middlesex Water Company (NASDAQ:MSEX) serves as a trusted provider of life-sustaining high quality water service for residential, commercial, industrial and fire protection purposes. The Company and its subsidiaries form the Middlesex family of companies, which collectively serve a population of nearly half a million people in New Jersey and Delaware. We offer a full range of water, wastewater utility and related services including municipal and industrial contract operations and water and wastewater system technical operations and maintenance. We are focused on meeting and balancing the needs of our employees, customers, and shareholders. We invest in our people, our infrastructure and the communities we serve to support reliable and resilient utility services, economic growth and quality of life.

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