

**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): **July 25, 2012**

CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-13883
(Commission file number)

77-0448994
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

1720 North First Street
San Jose, California
(Address of principal executive offices)

95112
(Zip Code)

(408) 367-8200
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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:

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

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On July 25, 2012, the Board of Directors of California Water Service Group (the "Company") appointed David B. Healey as its Corporate Controller and principal accounting officer, effective immediately. Healey, age 56, has served as Interim Controller since April 30, 2012.

Healey is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant with more than 20 years of experience in finance, including eight years of public company experience as a controller. Prior to joining California Water Service Group in 2009 as Director of Financial Reporting, he served as a subsidiary controller for SunPower Corporation since 2005. Prior to that, he was Corporate Controller and Treasurer for Hall, Kinion & Associates, Inc. and Director of Corporate Accounting for Pacific Gas & Electric Company.

Following his appointment, Healey is eligible to participate in the California Water Service Company Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (as amended). He will also receive grants of restricted stock awards ("RSAs") under the Company's Equity Incentive Plan. In connection with his appointment to the position of Corporate Controller, Healey will receive a number of RSAs equal to \$37,500 divided by the average closing price of the Company's common stock on the 20 trading days previous to August 3, 2012.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On July 25, 2012, the Company issued the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this current report and incorporated by reference herein.

The information and exhibit shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

We hereby furnish the following exhibit with this report:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release July 25, 2012

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.

CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP

Date: July 25, 2012

By: /s/ Martin A. Kropelnicki
Name: Martin A. Kropelnicki
Title: Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer



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July 25, 2012
For Immediate Release

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CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE GROUP NAMES NEW

CORPORATE CONTROLLER

SAN JOSE, CA — California Water Service Group (NYSE: CWT) today announced the selection of David B. Healey as Corporate Controller and its principal accounting officer, effective July 25, 2012. Healey, age 56, has served as Interim Controller since April 30, 2012.

Healey is a Certified Public Accountant and a Certified Management Accountant with more than 20 years of experience in finance, including eight years of public company experience as a controller. Prior to joining California Water Service Group in 2009 as Director of Financial Reporting, he served as a subsidiary controller for SunPower Corporation. Prior to that, he was Corporate Controller and Treasurer for Hall, Kinion & Associates, Inc., and Director of Corporate Accounting for Pacific Gas & Electric Company.

“Dave is a seasoned and talented finance professional who has a strong background in regulatory accounting and rate-making. I congratulate him on his new appointment as Corporate Controller and look forward to working with him in his new role,” said Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Martin A. Kropelnicki.

Healey earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting from the University of San Francisco and resides with his family in South San Francisco.

California Water Service Group is the parent company of California Water Service Company, Washington Water Service Company, New Mexico Water Service Company, Hawaii Water Service Company, Inc., CWS Utility Services, and HWS Utility Services. Together these companies provide regulated and non-regulated water service to nearly 2 million people in 100 California, Washington, New Mexico, and Hawaii communities. Group’s common stock trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol “CWT.”

This news release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning established by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (“Act”). The forward-looking statements are intended to qualify under provisions of the federal securities laws for “safe harbor” treatment established by the Act. Forward-looking statements are based on currently available information, expectations, estimates, assumptions and projections, and management’s judgment about the Company, the water utility industry and general economic conditions. Such words as expects, intends, plans, believes, estimates, assumes, anticipates, projects, predicts, forecasts or variations of such words or similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance. They are subject to uncertainty and changes in circumstances. Actual results may vary materially from what is contained in a forward-looking statement. Factors that may cause a result different than expected or anticipated include, but are not limited to: governmental and regulatory commissions’ decisions; changes in regulatory commissions’ policies and procedures; the timeliness of regulatory commissions’ actions concerning rate relief; new legislation; electric power interruptions; increases in suppliers’ prices and the availability of supplies including water and power; fluctuations in interest rates; changes in environmental compliance and water quality requirements; acquisitions and our ability to successfully integrate acquired companies; the ability to successfully implement business plans; changes in customer water use patterns; the impact of weather on water sales and operating results; access to sufficient capital on satisfactory terms; civil disturbances or terrorist threats or acts, or apprehension about the possible future occurrences of acts of this type; the involvement of the United States in war or other hostilities; restrictive covenants in or changes to the credit ratings on our current or future debt that could increase our financing costs or affect our ability to borrow, make payments on debt or pay dividends; and, other risks and unforeseen events. When considering forward-looking statements, you should keep in mind the cautionary statements included in this paragraph, as well as the annual 10-K, Quarterly 10-Q, and other reports filed from time-to-time with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). The Company assumes no obligation to provide public updates of forward-looking statements.

Additional information is available at our Web site at www.calwatergroup.com.

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