



American States Water Company to Present at 2008 Southern California Investor Conference

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SAN DIMAS, CA, Aug 29, 2008 (MARKET WIRE via COMTEX News Network) -- American States Water Company (NYSE: AWR) today announced that Robert J. Sprowls, Executive Vice President - Finance and Chief Financial Officer, will present a company overview at the 2008 Southern California Investor Conference, hosted by California Equity Research, LLC, at 10:30 a.m. Pacific Time on Wednesday, September 3, 2008 at The Island Hotel in Newport Beach, California.

Interested parties may listen to the live audio-only webcast by visiting www.aswater.com and selecting the "Southern California Investor Conference" link at the bottom of the "Investors" page. Listeners are encouraged to visit the Web site at least 15 minutes prior to the start of the scheduled presentation to register, download and install any necessary audio software.

About American States Water

American States Water Company is the parent of Golden State Water Company, American States Utility Services, Inc. and Chaparral City Water Company. Through its subsidiaries, AWR provides water service to 1 out of 30 Californians located within 75 communities throughout 10 counties in Northern, Coastal and Southern California (approximately 254,000 customers) and to over 13,000 customers in the city of Fountain Hills, Arizona and a small portion of Scottsdale, Arizona. The Company also distributes electricity to over 23,000 customers in the Big Bear recreational area of California. Through its non-regulated subsidiary, American States Utility Services, Inc., the Company contracts with the U.S. Government and private entities to provide various services, including water marketing and operation and maintenance of water and wastewater systems at a number of U.S. Military Bases throughout the United States.

About California Equity Research, LLC

Based in San Diego, California Equity Research, LLC is an independent research-only firm focused exclusively on coverage of underfollowed California-based equities. For more information, please visit the California Equity Research Web site at www.calequityresearch.com.

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