

ANWORTH MORTGAGE ASSET CORP
Form 8-K
December 28, 2011

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

December 28, 2011
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

ANWORTH MORTGAGE ASSET CORPORATION
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-13709 52-2059785
(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1299 Ocean Avenue, Second Floor, Santa Monica, California 90401
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)
(310) 255-4493
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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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))

Item 3.03 Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

On December 28, 2011, Anworth Mortgage Asset Corporation (“Anworth”) announced that, in accordance with the terms of Anworth’s 6.25% Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (the “Series B Preferred Stock”), the conversion rate of the Series B Preferred Stock has increased from 3.6075 shares of Anworth’s common stock to 3.6714 shares of its common stock effective December 28, 2011.

As previously announced, Anworth’s board of directors declared, on December 15, 2011, a quarterly common stock dividend of \$0.21 per share, which is payable on January 27, 2012 to holders of record of common stock as of the close of business on December 27, 2011. When Anworth pays a cash dividend during any quarterly fiscal period to its common stockholders in an amount that results in an annualized common stock dividend yield greater than 6.25% (the dividend yield on the Series B Preferred Stock), the conversion rate on the Series B Preferred Stock is adjusted based on a formula specified in the Articles Supplementary Establishing and Fixing the Rights and Preferences of the Series B Preferred Stock. As a result of this dividend, the conversion rate has increased from 3.6075 shares of Anworth’s common stock to 3.6714 shares of its common stock effective December 28, 2011.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On December 28, 2011, Anworth issued a press release announcing an increase to the conversion rate of Anworth’s 6.25% Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock effective December 28, 2011. A copy of that press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

As discussed therein, the press release furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act and Section 21E of the Exchange Act and, as such, may involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions. These forward-looking statements relate to Anworth’s current expectations and are subject to the limitations and qualifications set forth in the press release as well as in Anworth’s other documents filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including, without limitation, that actual events and/or results may differ materially from those projected in such forward-looking statements.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not Applicable.
- (b) Not Applicable.
- (c) Not Applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1

Press Release dated December 28, 2011 announcing an increase to the conversion rate of Anworth’s 6.25% Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock effective December 28, 2011.

SIGNATURES

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.

ANWORTH
MORTGAGE ASSET
CORPORATION

Date: December 28, 2011 By: /s/ Thad M. Brown
Title: Chief
Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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