

MIDDLESEX WATER CO  
Form 8-K  
August 24, 2015

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: August 24, 2015

MIDDLESEX WATER COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEW JERSEY                      0-422                      22-1114430  
(State or other jurisdiction of    (Commission (I.R.S. Employer  
incorporation or organization) File Number) Identification No.)

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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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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On August 20, 2015, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services revised its issuer credit rating on Middlesex Water Company (the "Company") to 'A' from 'A-'. Its Rating Outlook on the Company has also been revised to stable from positive and its ratings on the Company's senior secured first mortgage bonds have been revised to 'A+' from 'A'. A copy of the press release dated August 24, 2015 announcing the ratings upgrade 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

99.1 Press Release issued by Middlesex Water Company, dated August 24, 2015

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  
A. Bruce O'Connor  
Vice President, Treasurer and  
Chief Financial Officer

August 24, 2015