CONNECTICUT WATER SERVICE INC / CT Form 8-K

January 11, 2017

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 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): January 11, 2017 (January 10, 2017)

Commission File Number 0-8084

Connecticut Water Service, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Connecticut

06-0739839 (State or other jurisdiction of

incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

93 West Main Street, Clinton, CT 06413 (Address of principal executive office) (Zip Code)

(860) 669-8636

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name, address and former fiscal year, 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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

Entry into New Term Loan for Maine Water Company

As previously reported, on December 1, 2012, the Maine Water Company, a Maine corporation ("Maine Water"), and CoBank, ACB, a federally chartered instrumentality of the United States ("CoBank") entered into that certain Amended and Restated Master Loan Agreement, as amended on December 22, 2014 (the "Agreement"). Maine Water is an operating water utility subsidiary of Connecticut Water Service, Inc., a Connecticut corporation ("CWS"), the registrant.

Pursuant to the Agreement, Maine Water has previously delivered to CoBank two separate Promissory Note and Single Advance Term Loan Supplements, dated December 1, 2012 and December 22, 2014 (the "First" and "Second" "Promissory Notes"), respectively, as follows:

Promissory Note
First Promissory Note and Single Advance Term Loan Supplement No. RI0042T02
Second Promissory Note and Single Advance Term Loan Supplement No.
RI0042T03
Principal Amount Maturity Date
\$1,965,000
Dec. 15, 2017
\$4,500,000
Dec. 20, 2024

On January 10, 2017, Maine Water executed and delivered to CoBank a new Promissory Note and Single Advance Term Loan Supplement, dated January 10, 2017 (the "Third Promissory Note"). On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Third Promissory Note issued pursuant to the Agreement, CoBank agreed to make an unsecured loan (the "Loan") to Maine Water in the principal amount of \$5,000,000, as follows:

Promissory Note Principal Amount Maturity Date
Third Promissory Note and Single Advance Term Loan Supplement No. RI0042T04 \$5,000,000 Dec. 30, 2026

Under the Third Promissory Note, Maine Water will pay interest on the Loan in accordance with either of the following interest rate options, as selected periodically by Maine Water: (1) at a weekly quoted variable rate, a rate per annum equal to the rate of interest established by CoBank on the first business day of each week; or (2) at a fixed rate per annum to be quoted by CoBank in its sole discretion in each instance for periods of 180 days or more. Interest shall be calculated on the actual number of days the Loan is outstanding on the basis of a

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year consisting of 360 days. Maine Water has selected a fixed rate of 4.180% per year through the maturity date of the Loan.

Maine Water intends to use the proceeds of the above described Loan from CoBank to refinance existing debt and to finance certain capital expenditures.

The above summary of the material terms of the Agreement and the Third Promissory Note is qualified in its entirety by reference to: (1) the Agreement, dated as of December 1, 2012 and amended as of December 22, 2014, and (2) the Third Promissory Note dated as of January 10, 2017. The Agreement, as amended, has previously been filed. The Third Promissory Note is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.3 and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Item Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

The information set forth in Item 1.01 is incorporated herein by reference in response to this Item 2.03.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following documents are filed herewith as exhibits hereto:

(d) Exhibits

Amended and Restated Master Loan Agreement between the Maine Water Company and CoBank, ACB, dated 10.1 December 1, 2012 and effective as of December 6, 2012, incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.1 to CWS's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 7, 2012.

Amendment to Amended and Restated Master Loan Agreement by and between the Maine Water Company and 10.2 CoBank, ACB, dated as of December 22, 2014, incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 to CWS's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 30, 2014.

Promissory Note and Single Advance Term Loan Supplement between the Maine Water Company and CoBank, ACB, dated as of January 10, 2017, is filed herewith.

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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.

Connecticut Water Service, Inc. (Registrant)

By: /s/ David C. Benoit

Date: January 11, 2017 Davi

David C. Benoit Senior Vice President – Finance and

Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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10.2	and CoBank, ACB, dated as of December 22, 2014, incorporated by reference from Exhibit 10.2 to CWS's
	Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 30, 2014.
10.3	Promissory Note and Single Advance Term Loan Supplement between the Maine Water Company and
	CoBank, ACB, dated as of January 10, 2017, is filed herewith.