



Why Invest In AWR?

Strong Dividend Record

- ✓ **An 8% increase** in Q4 2016, is in addition to a 5.2% increase in both 2015 and 2014
- ✓ 10.7% 5-year compound annual growth rate (CAGR) in the 2016 annual dividend payment
- ✓ Targeting a 5-year CAGR of at least 5% over the long term

Growth Potential in Earnings

- ✓ 7.85% 5-year CAGR in diluted EPS from continuing operations as of 12/31/2016
- ✓ Planned prudent CapEx at 3.0x depreciation grows the rate base

Favorable Regulatory Environment

- ✓ Forward-looking (future) test years limit regulatory lag
- ✓ Recovery of operating costs / Return on rate base
- ✓ Decouple revenue from sales to provide consistent returns

Stable Utility Customer Base

- ✓ ~90% of water revenues derived from residential and commercial customers

Seasoned & Committed Management

- ✓ >100 years collective utility experience

Strong Balance Sheet

- ✓ A+/A2 debt ratings

Well-Positioned for Consolidation Opportunities

Valuable Water Rights Portfolio to Meet Water Supply Needs

AWR is a low volatility water utility with a secure and growing dividend, operating in a constructive regulatory environment in California, along with a growing unregulated contracted services business serving military bases under 50-year contracts.



American States Water Co. (AWR) is the parent company of Golden State Water Co. (GSWC) and American States Utility Services, Inc. (ASUS) and its subsidiaries.

Regulated Business:

GSWC (77% of TTM Q1 2017 revenues) is a public utility company regulated by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). GSWC engages principally in the delivery of water service to 261,000 customers, operating in 75 communities in 10 counties of California. GSWC also provides electric service to 24,000 customers through its Bear Valley Electric Service Division.

Contracted Services:

ASUS (23% of TTM Q1 2017 revenues) operates and maintains the water and wastewater systems at various military bases under 50-year contracts with the U.S. government including:

- Fort Bliss in **Texas** and **New Mexico**
- Andrews Air Force Base (AFB) in **Maryland**
- Fort Story and Fort Eustis in **Virginia**
- Fort Lee in **Virginia** (wastewater only)
- Fort Bragg, Pope AFB and Camp Mackall in **North Carolina**
- Fort Jackson in **South Carolina**
- Eglin AFB in **Florida***

Numerous military bases are still to be privatized; active bids currently in process. Significant water/wastewater contracts to be awarded over the next five years.

*Eglin AFB was awarded in July 2016 and is expected to fully transition to ASUS operations by mid-2017.

Stock Symbol NYSE: AWR

Market Cap: **\$1.6 billion**

52-Week Range: **\$37.28 - \$46.84**

Average Volume (3 mo): **141,000**

Dividend Yield: **2.2%**

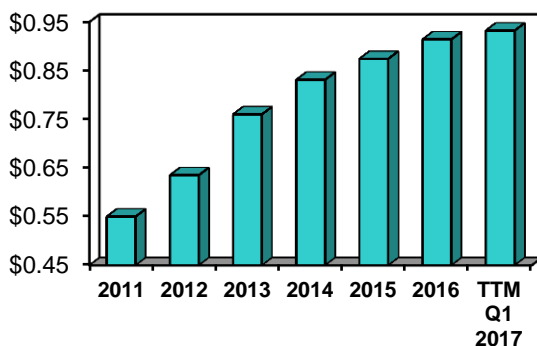
Institutional Ownership: **66%**

Closing Price 5/12/2017: **\$44.35**

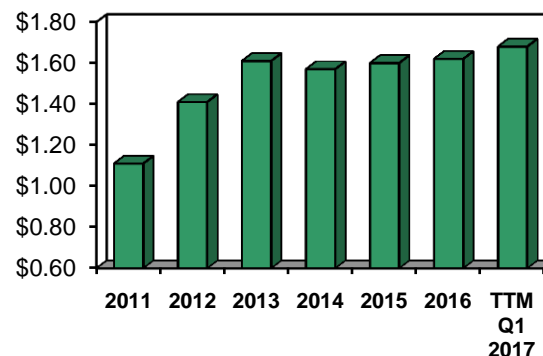
AWR Debt Rating: **A+ Stable**

P/E (TTM): **27.6**

Dividends Paid per Share (split adjusted)



Diluted EPS



Financial Highlights

Dollars in millions, except per share amounts
Years Ended December 31,

	TTM Q1 Q1 2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Operating Revenues	\$441.4	\$436.1	\$458.6	\$465.8	\$472.1	\$466.9	\$419.9
Operating Income ⁽¹⁾	118.2	114.7	118.5	119.0	119.1	111.1	95.1
Diluted EPS	1.68	1.62	1.60	1.57	1.61	54.1	42.0
Dividends Paid per Share ⁽²⁾	0.932	0.914	0.874	0.831	0.760	.635	.550
Capital Additions	124.4	129.9	87.3	72.6	97.4	68.1	80.3

⁽¹⁾ Before Income Taxes and Interest (net)

⁽²⁾ Split Adjusted

Strategic Goals

Regulated Utilities:

- Deliver outstanding customer service
- Focus on operational efficiency to minimize costs to customers
- Make prudent capital additions that enhance shareholder and customer value
- Earn the authorized return on equity and return on rate base
- Receive timely recovery of costs
- Maintain good working relationship with state regulatory commission
- Be proactive in managing resources and influencing policy
- Expand customer base through organic growth and acquisitions
- Employ management systems to conserve water and energy resources
- Maintain a strong water supply portfolio

Contracted Services:

- Increase net income through:
 - Efficient operations
 - Price redeterminations
 - Requests for equitable adjustments
 - Economic Price Adjustments
- Increase the size and scope:
 - Further develop service opportunities on current military bases
 - Actively pursue numerous military bases still to be privatized
- Earn higher returns on investment than the allowed returns for regulated utilities

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10-year Total Return: **AWR** vs. **S&P 500** Source: Marketwatch.com



AWR's Valuation

	AWR	Water Industry
P/E Multiple	28.1	28.4
Dividend Yield	2.2%	2.1%
Dividend Payout	60%	58%
Common Equity Ratio	55%	52%

Source: Yahoo.com; earnings data as of 12/16, stock price as of 12/31/16 reflecting a price of \$45.56 per share for AWR.

10-Year Compound Annual Return

Based on performance measures set forth by the SEC, a \$1,000 investment in the common shares of AWR on March 31, 2007, assuming all dividends were reinvested in additional common shares of the Company, would have increased in value to \$3,159 as of March 31, 2017.

This amounts to an annual compound growth of **12.2%** (as compared to 7.5% if invested in the S&P 500).

Of course, past performance is no guarantee of future results, since share prices and returns can fluctuate.

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