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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 (Date of Earliest Event Reported): September 3, 2011

AMERICAN TOWER CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-14195 (Commission File Number) 116 Huntington Avenue 65-0723837 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

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Boston, Massachusetts 02116

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(617) 375-7500

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, 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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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 3, 2011, American Tower Corporation (the Company) entered into an agreement to acquire from Unison Holdings, LLC and Unison Site Management II, L.L.C. various limited liability companies holding a portfolio of property interests under approximately 1,800 communications sites for an expected total consideration of approximately \$500 million. The acquisition includes property interests under existing Company communications sites in accordance with the Company s current land purchase program, as well as property interests under carrier customer and other third-party communications sites providing complementary leasing and recurring cash flow. The acquisition is expected to close during the fourth quarter of 2011, subject to customary closing conditions, and with the potential carve out of certain property interests not being acquired. The purchase price is expected to be satisfied with approximately \$304 million in cash and the assumption of approximately \$196 million of existing indebtedness.

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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 by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN TOWER CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date: September 7, 2011

By: /s/ Thomas A. Bartlett
Thomas A. Bartlett

Thomas A. Bartlett Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer