AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/ Form 8-K August 06, 2010

# 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): August 6, 2010

# AMERICAN TOWER CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware** (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-14195 (Commission File Number) 65-0723837 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

116 Huntington Avenue

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):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On August 6, 2010, American Tower Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it closed its transaction with Essar Telecom Infrastructure Holding Overseas Ltd., Essar Securities Limited, and Essar Investments, Limited, each an Indian company, in which the Company acquired substantially all the issued and outstanding shares of Essar Telecom Infrastructure Private Limited (ETIPL), a company formed under the laws of India, for approximately \$430 million in cash. Pursuant to the transaction, the Company acquired ETIPL s portfolio of over 4,600 wireless communications tower sites, as well as a number of towers under construction.

# Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits. (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release, dated August 6, 2010.

### **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: August 6, 2010 By: /s/ THOMAS A. BARTLETT
Thomas A. Bartlett

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

### EXHIBIT INDEX

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