

AMERICAN TOWER CORP /MA/

Form 8-K

November 05, 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): November 5, 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.)

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**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)
- ..  Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On November 5, 2010, American Tower Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2010. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

Exhibit 99.1 is furnished and shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such exhibit be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing made by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On November 5, 2010, the Company issued a press release announcing its launch of operations in South Africa and its entry into a definitive agreement to purchase from Cell C (Pty) Limited up to approximately 1,400 existing towers, and up to 1,800 additional towers that are either under construction or will be constructed over the next two to three years, for an aggregate purchase price of up to approximately \$430 million. The Company expects to close the purchase of the existing towers by early 2011, subject to customary closing conditions. The Company's press release, dated November 5, 2010, is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.2, and is incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits**

**Exhibit**

| <b>No.</b> | <b>Description</b>                    |
|------------|---------------------------------------|
| 99.1       | Press release dated November 5, 2010. |
| 99.2       | Press release dated November 5, 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: November 5, 2010**

**By:**

/s/ THOMAS A. BARTLETT  
**Thomas A. Bartlett**

**Executive Vice President and**

**Chief Financial Officer**

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