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): May 5, 2005

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

 $(Registrant \ \ s \ telephone \ number, including \ area \ code)$

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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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- " 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 1	1.01	Entry	into a	Materia	l Definitive	Agreement.
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Merger Agreement

As previously disclosed in a Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 4, 2005, on May 3, 2005, American Tower Corporation (the Company) entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the Merger Agreement) with SpectraSite, Inc. (SpectraSite) providing for, among other things, the merger of SpectraSite with a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company (the Merger).

The purpose of this Report on Form 8-K is to file the Merger Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 2. The Merger Agreement has been included to provide investors with information regarding its terms. It is not intended to provide any other factual information about American Tower Corporation and SpectraSite. The Merger Agreement contains representations and warranties made by each of the Company and SpectraSite to the other. These representations and warranties may have been made for the purposes of allocating contractual risk between the parties to the Merger Agreement instead of establishing these matters as facts. Furthermore, they may be subject to standards of materiality applicable to the contracting parties, which may differ from those applicable to investors. These representations and warranties may or may not have been accurate as of any specific date and do not purport to be accurate as of the date of this filing. Accordingly, they should not be relied upon as statements of factual information.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
2	Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among American Tower Corporation, Asteroid Merger Sub, LLC and SpectraSite, Inc., dated as of May 3, 2005.

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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.	

Date: May 5, 2005

AMERICAN T	OWER CORPORATION	
(Registrant)		
By:	/s/ Bradley E. Singer	

Bradley E. Singer

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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