

CADENCE FINANCIAL CORP
Form 8-K
December 19, 2008

**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): December 18,
2008

CADENCE FINANCIAL CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Mississippi 1-15773 64-0694755
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer
of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

301 East Main Street, Starkville, Mississippi 39759
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (662) 343-1341

n/a
(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 obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On December 18, 2008, Cadence Financial Corporation ("CADE") issued a press release announcing that shareholders approved an amendment to the company's Articles of Incorporation that authorizes the issuance of preferred stock by the Company. Shareholder approval was required in order for Cadence to participate in the U. S. Treasury Department's Capital Purchase Program. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is furnished to, but not filed with, the Commission.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| <u>Exhibit Number</u> | <u>Description of Exhibit</u> |
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| 99.1 | Press release issued December 18, 2008 |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CADENCE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Date: December 18, 2008

/s/ Richard T. Haston
Richard T. Haston
Executive Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer

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