PEAPACK GLADSTONE FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K April 25, 2016

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

April 22, 2016

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

PEAPACK-GLADSTONE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

New Jersey

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-16197 22-3537895 (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

500 Hills Drive, Suite 300

Bedminster, New Jersey 07921-1538

(Address of principal executive offices)

(908) 234-0700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 22, 2016, Peapack-Gladstone Financial Corporation issued a press release reporting earnings and other financial results for its first quarter of 2016, which ended March 31, 2016. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference in its entirety.

The information disclosed under this Item 2.02, including Exhibit 99.1, shall be considered "furnished" but not "filed" for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)

Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Title

99.1 Press Release dated April 22, 2016.

The press release disclosed in this Item 9.01 as Exhibit 99.1 shall be considered "furnished" but not "filed" for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

SIGNATURES

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.

PEAPACK-GLADSTONE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Dated: April 25, 2016 By: /s/ Jeffrey J. Carfora

Jeffrey J. Carfora Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer

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