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BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC

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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) June 24, 2003

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-15781 04-3510455

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission (IRS Employer incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

24 North Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201

(Address of principal executive offices)

(413) 443-5601

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OTHER EXHIBITS

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release Dated June 24, 2003

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On June 24, 2003, Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company"), the holding company for Berkshire Bank, announced that it had reached a settlement agreement with the Massachusetts Department of Revenue with respect taxes owed

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on dividends received from Berkshire Bank's real estate investment trust subsidiary.

The press release announcing the settlement of the tax assessment is filed as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

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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.

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.

Dated: June 24, 2003 By: /s/ Michael P. Daly

Michael P. Daly

President and Chief Executive Officer