

PEAPACK GLADSTONE FINANCIAL CORP
Form 8-K
December 31, 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 30, 2008

PEAPACK-GLADSTONE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

New Jersey
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-16197
(Commission
File Number)

22-3537895
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

158 Route 206, Peapack-Gladstone, New
Jersey
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

07934
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number including area code
(908) 234-0700

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 8.01

Other Events.

Attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 is a copy of a press release of Peapack-Gladstone Financial Corporation dated December 30, 2008. Exhibit 99.1 is incorporated by reference under this Item 8.01.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d)

99.1 Press Release of Peapack-Gladstone Financial Corporation, dated December 30, 2008

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.

PEAPACK-GLADSTONE FINANCIAL
CORPORATION

Dated: December 31, 2008

By: /s/ Arthur F. Birmingham
Name: Arthur F. Birmingham
Title: Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

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