

STERLING BANCORP  
Form 8-K  
June 17, 2008

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 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 16, 2008

Commission File Number:

1-5273-1

**Sterling Bancorp**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

New York	13-2565216
(State of other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
650 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York	10019-6108
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)
(212) 757- 3300	
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)	
N/A	

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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**ITEM 7.01**

**REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

On June 16, 2008, the Company issued a press release announcing a presentation on June 18, 2008 by John C. Millman, President of Sterling Bancorp, as part of the Foxx-Pitt Kelton Cochran Caronia Waller Small-Midcap Bank and Insurance Conference . The time of the Sterling Bancorp presentation has been moved up to 3:30p.m., rather than 4:15. This press release is included as Exhibit 99.1.

**ITEM 9.01**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated June 16, 2008 (furnished pursuant to Item 7.01)

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**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.

DATE: June 17, 2008

BY: /s/ JOHN W. TIETJEN

JOHN W. TIETJEN  
Executive Vice President  
and Chief Financial Officer

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99.1                    Press Release dated June 16, 2008