

SOUTHERN MISSOURI BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
November 10, 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)

November 10, 2008

SOUTHERN MISSOURI BANCORP, INC.
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Missouri
(State or other
jurisdiction
of incorporation)

000-23406
(Commission File No.)

43-1665523
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

531 Vine Street, Poplar
Bluff, Missouri
(Address of principal
executive offices)

63901
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (573) 778-1800

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ITEM 8.01 Other Events

On November 10, 2008, Southern Missouri Bancorp, Inc. (“Southern Missouri”) (NASDAQ: SMBC), parent company of Southern Missouri Bank & Trust Co. (“the Bank”), today announced that the Southern Missouri Bancorp, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the “ESOP”) intends to purchase approximately \$210,000 market value of Southern Missouri’s common stock. This amount represents the Bank’s budgeted ESOP allocation for fiscal year 2009, and is consistent with amounts purchased in previous fiscal years. Additionally, the ESOP’s trustees approved the use of any existing cash in the plan (currently, approximately \$80,000) accumulated through the payment of cash dividends on Southern Missouri’s common stock for the purchase of additional stock.

ESOP trustees were given discretion to determine the number and pricing of the shares to be purchased, as well as the timing of any such purchase. The ESOP intends to purchase the shares at prevailing market prices in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, subject to availability and general market conditions.

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.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI BANCORP, INC.

Date: November 10, 2008

By: /s/ Greg A. Steffens
Greg A. Steffens
President