

STERLING BANCORP  
Form 8-K  
July 30, 2007

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**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) July 30, 2007  
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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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

On July 30, 2007, the Company issued a press release announcing a conference call to be held on July 31, 2007 at 10:00 am to discuss its financial results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2007. The press release is included as Exhibit 99.1.

**ITEM 9.01**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated July 30, 2007 (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: July 30, 2007

BY: /s/ JOHN W. TIETJEN  
JOHN W. TIETJEN  
Executive Vice President  
and Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit  
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99.1                      Press Release dated July 30, 2007