

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP
Form 8-K
May 27, 2009

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) May 21, 2009

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

New Jersey
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

1-11277
(Commission File Number)

22-2477875
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

1455 Valley Road, Wayne, New Jersey
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

07470
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (973) 305-8800

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 8.01 Other Events

On May 21, 2009, Valley National Bancorp issued a press release reporting a common stock cash dividend payable July 1, 2009 to shareholders of record on June 5, 2009.

A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.

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.

Dated: May 27, 2009

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

By: /s/ Mitchell L. Crandell
Mitchell L. Crandell
Senior Vice President and Controller
(Principal Accounting Officer)