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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): February 20, 2007 (February 16, 2007)

BANCORPSOUTH, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Mississippi 1-12991 64-0659571

(State or other jurisdiction of Number) Identification No.) incorporation)

One Mississippi Plaza 201 South Spring Street Tupelo, Mississippi

38804

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (662) 680-2000

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

Section 4 Matters Related to Accountants and Financial Statements

Item 4.02(a). Non-Reliance on Previously Issued Financial Statements or a Related Audit Report or Completed Interim Review.

On February 16, 2007, the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of BancorpSouth, Inc. (the Company), upon recommendation from management and after discussion with KPMG LLP, the Company s independent registered public accounting firm, concluded that the previously issued unaudited consolidated financial statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2006 contained in the Company s quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed November 8, 2006 should not be relied upon because of an accounting error where a \$6.8 million non-recurring income-tax expense that was reported in a press release filed on Form 8-K announcing the Company s financial results for the fourth quarter of 2006 should have been recorded in the third quarter of 2006. The Company issued a press release announcing that it will amend its quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2006 in order to correctly record a \$6.8 million non-recurring provision for income taxes in the third quarter of 2006 rather than in the fourth quarter of 2006. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press release issued on February 16, 2007 by BancorpSouth, Inc.

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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.

BANCORPSOUTH, INC.

By: /s/ L. Nash Allen, Jr. L. Nash Allen, Jr.

Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 20, 2007

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release issued on February 16, 2007 by BancorpSouth, Inc.