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PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

Form 8-K October 25, 2007

> 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): October 25, 2007

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

001-31566 42-1547151 (State or Other Jurisdiction) (Commission File No.) (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) Identification No.) 830 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey 07306-4599 _____ _____ (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (201) 333-1000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- [] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- [] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 25, 2007, Provident Financial Services, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release reporting its financial results for the three months and

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nine months ended September 30, 2007. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is being furnished to the SEC and shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 24, 2007, the Company's Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.11 per common share, payable on November 30, 2007 to stockholders of record on November 15, 2007. In addition, the Board of Directors authorized the Company's seventh stock repurchase program. The new stock repurchase program authorizes the repurchase of up to 5% of the current outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, or approximately 3.1 million shares.

These announcements were included as part of the press release announcing financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2007 issued by the Company on October 25, 2007 and attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report. A copy of the press release is being furnished to the SEC and shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.
- (c) Shell Company Transactions. Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release issued by the Company on October 25, 2007 announcing its finance

October 25, 2007 announcing its financial results for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2007, the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend and the authorization of a stock repurchase program.

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.

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

DATE: October 25, 2007 By: /s/ Paul M. Pantozzi

Paul M. Pantozzi Chairman and

Chief Executive Officer

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