

UNITY BANCORP INC /NJ/
Form 8-K
March 19, 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

March 19, 2009
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

UNITY BANCORP, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

New Jersey
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-12431
(Commission File Number)

22-3282551
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

64 Old Highway 22
Clinton, NJ 08809
(Address of Principal Executive Office)

(908) 730-7630
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(e) On March 19, 2009, Unity Bancorp, Inc. (“Unity”), entered into Waiver Agreements with each of James A. Hughes, Alan J. Bedner, Michael F. Downes and John J. Kauchak, waiving certain provisions of Unity’s employment agreement with Mr. Hughes and its retention agreements with the other executives. In December 2008, Unity participated in the U.S. Treasury’s Capital Purchase Program (“CPP”) and received an investment of \$20.6 million. The employment and retention agreements complied with all of the terms of the CPP then in effect. However, the terms of the CPP were revised by the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009, adopted on February 17, 2009 (the “ARRA”). The ARRA prohibits the payment of severance to the senior executive officers of an institution participating in the CPP. In order to comply with this restriction, each of Messrs. Hughes, Bedner, Downes and Kauchak have waived their respective rights to severance under their respective agreements.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit Description of Exhibit

10.1 Waiver Agreement executed by James A. Hughes

10.2 Form of Waiver Agreement related to Retention Agreements with each of Alan J. Bedner, Michael F. Downes and John J. Kauchak

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.

Date: March 19, 2009

UNITY BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/

Alan J. Bedner, Jr.

EVP and Chief Financial Officer