

Item 8.01 Other Events

On August 24, 2009, New York Community Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") announced that it will issue 3.4144 shares of its common stock (the "Exchange Ratio") for each unit of its Bifurcated Option Note Unit Securities^{ES} ("BONUSES units") that is tendered, not withdrawn, and accepted in accordance with the terms of its offer (the "Exchange Offer") to exchange shares of its common stock for its BONUSES units, as announced on July 29, 2009. The Exchange Ratio was determined by adding (i) 2.4953 common shares, and (ii) 0.9191 common shares, with the latter number having been determined by dividing \$10.00 by \$10.88, which was the average of the daily volume-weighted average price (the "VWAP") of the Company's common shares during the five consecutive trading days ending on August 21, 2009.

The Exchange Offer is currently scheduled to expire at 11:59 p.m., New York City Time on Tuesday, August 25, 2009, unless extended or earlier terminated by the Company. If extended, the Company would calculate a new Exchange Ratio based on a pricing period ending on the second trading date immediately preceding the new expiration date.

A copy of the press release announcing the Exchange Ratio is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

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: August 24, 2009 NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP, INC.

/s/ Ilene A. Angarola

Ilene A. Angarola

Executive Vice President

and Director, Investor Relations

EXHIBIT INDEX

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99.1 Press release dated August 24, 2009.