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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 and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: January 22, 2014

(Date of earliest event reported)

### **Umpqua Holdings Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

OREGON	<u>001-34624</u>	<u>93-1261319</u>
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or	(Commission File	(I.R.S. Employer Identification
Organization)	Number)	Number)

# One SW Columbia Street, Suite 1200

# Portland, Oregon 97258

(address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)

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(503) 727-4100
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)
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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 January 22, 2014, Umpqua Holdings Corporation issued a press release announcing full year and fourth quarter 2013 financial results. The release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

### **Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

#### Item 9.01

**EXHIBITS** 

(d)

99.1 Press Release Announcing Full Year and Fourth Quarter 2013 Financial Results dated January 22, 2014

### **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.

# UMPQUA HOLDINGS CORPORATION

(Registrant)

By:/s/ Andrew H. Ognall

Dated: January 22, 2014 Andrew H. Ognall

**Assistant Secretary**