

BANKATLANTIC BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
February 10, 2009

**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 10, 2009
BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida

34-027228

65-0507804

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

**2100 West Cypress Creek Road
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida**

33309

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **954-940-5000**
Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))
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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

The information in this item (including Exhibit 99.1) is being furnished pursuant to Items 2.02 and 9.01 and shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act. On February 10, 2009, BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2008. In addition to financial results determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the press release also contains financial information determined by methods other than in accordance with GAAP. The Company's management uses these non-GAAP measures, which it defines as core operating earnings in their analysis of the Company's performance. These core operating earnings measures adjust GAAP pre-tax income to exclude the impact of goodwill impairment, provision for loan and tax certificate losses, impairments, restructuring charges, and exit activities. The Company believes that these non-GAAP core operating earnings measures supplement our GAAP financial information and provide useful measures of evaluating the Company's operating results and any related trends that may be affecting the Company's business. These disclosures should not be viewed as a substitute for operating results determined in accordance with GAAP, nor are they necessarily comparable to non-GAAP performance measures that may be presented by other companies.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated February 10, 2009

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: February 10, 2009

BANKATLANTIC BANCORP, INC.

By: Valerie C. Toalson
Valerie C. Toalson
Executive Vice President
- Chief Financial Officer