

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
November 19, 2008

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)

November 17, 2008

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC.

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(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Maryland  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

0-18082  
(Commission File No.)

43-1524856  
(IRS Employer Identification  
Number)

1451 East Battlefield, Springfield, Missouri  
(Address of principal executive offices)

65804  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (417) 887-4400

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N/A

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(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:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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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 8.01 Other Events

On November 17, 2008, the Registrant issued a press release announcing that it has been selected for preliminary approval for up to \$60 million from the U.S. Treasury's Capital Purchase Program. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated November 17, 2008

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 thereunto duly authorized.

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP, INC.

Date November 18, 2008

By: /s/ Joseph W. Turner  
Joseph W. Turner  
President and Chief Executive  
Officer