

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
January 24, 2019

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): January 23, 2019

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

<u>Delaware</u>	<u>001-15781</u>	<u>04-3510455</u>
(State or Other Jurisdiction)	(Commission File No.)	(I.R.S. Employer
of Incorporation)		Identification No.)

<u>60 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts</u>	<u>01209</u>
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 773-5601, ext. 133773

Not Applicable

(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02

Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On January 23, 2019, Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”), the holding company for Berkshire Bank (the “Bank”), announced its financial results for the quarter ended December 31, 2018. The news release containing the financial results is included as Exhibit 99.1 and shall not be deemed “filed” for any purpose.

The Company will conduct a conference call/webcast on January 24, 2019 to discuss the financial results for the quarter and provide guidance about expected future results. A telephone replay of the call will be available through January 31, 2019. The webcast will be available on the Company’s website for an extended period of time.

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Other Events

On January 23, 2019, the Company’s Board of Directors announced the declaration of a cash dividend of \$0.23 per share of Company common stock and \$0.46 per share of Company Series B preferred stock to shareholders of record at the close of business on February 14, 2019 and payable on February 28, 2019.

Item 9.01

Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.
- (c) Shell Company Transactions. Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 News Release dated January 23, 2019

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.

Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc.

DATE: January 24, 2019 By: /s/ Richard M. Marotta
Richard M. Marotta

President and Chief Executive Officer