

WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC
Form 8-K
September 26, 2013

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): September 26, 2013

Washington Federal, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Washington (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | 001-34654 (Commission File Number) | 91-1661606 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
| 425 Pike Street, Seattle, Washington 98101 (Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code) | | |
| Registrant's telephone number, including area code (206) 624-7930 | | |
| 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):

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Items

On September 26, 2013, Washington Federal ("WAFD") announced that it has received regulatory approval from the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency ("OCC") to close on the transaction to acquire 51 branches and approximately \$1.8 billion in deposits from Bank of America. Details of the proposed transaction can be found in the Form 8-K dated July 23, 2013. The Company expects the transaction to close in two parts before December 31, 2013.

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.

Date: September 26, 2013

WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC.

By: /s/ BRENT J. BEARDALL
Brent J. Beardall
Executive Vice President
and Chief Financial Officer