

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
October 21, 2011

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): October 21, 2011

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

0-51584
(Commission File No.)

04-3510455
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

24 North Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

01201
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (413) 443-5601

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)
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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 October 21, 2011, Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. (“BHLB”) and Berkshire Bank, as successor by merger to Legacy Banks, completed their divestiture of four Massachusetts bank branches in Berkshire County to NBT Bank, NA, a subsidiary of NBT Bancorp Inc., pursuant to a Purchase and Assumption Agreement entered into on July 13, 2011 (the “Branch Sale”). Following the Branch Sale, additional merger consideration will be paid to former Legacy Bancorp, Inc. (“LEGC”) stockholders in accordance with the Agreement and Plan of Merger between BHLB and LEGC dated December 21, 2010.

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: Not Applicable.
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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: October 21, 2011

By: /s/ Michael P. Daly
Michael P. Daly
President and Chief Executive Officer
