BRIDGE BANCORP INC Form 8-K January 08, 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): January 8, 2009

BRIDGE BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of the registrant as specified in its charter)

New York 000-18546 11-2934195
(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer incorporation or organization)

2200 Montauk Highway
Bridgehampton, New York
11932
(Address of principal executive offices)
(Zip Code)

(631) 537-1000 (Registrant's telephone number)

N/A (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-4c)

Item 7.01 —Regulation FD Disclosure

On January 8, 2009 Bridge Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it has received preliminary approval from the U.S. Treasury Department to participate in its Capital Purchase Program (CPP). Under the CPP, the Company would issue to the U.S. Treasury approximately \$15 million in senior preferred shares along with warrants to purchase approximately 115,000 shares of its common stock. The Company also indicated that the decision whether to actually participate in the CPP and issue the preferred stock and warrants is still under evaluation by the Company.

A copy of the Company's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release Dated January 8, 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.

Bridge Bancorp, Inc. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Kevin M. O'Connor Kevin M. O'Connor President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: January 8, 2009