

BROOKLINE BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
January 18, 2008

**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 17, 2008

BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| <u>Delaware</u> | <u>0-23695</u> | <u>04-3402944</u> |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File No.) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |
| <u>160 Washington Street, Brookline, Massachusetts</u> | <u>02447-0469</u> | |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) | |

(617) 730-3500
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition, Declaration of Dividends.

On January 17, 2008, Brookline Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") announced its earnings for the 2007 fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2007 and approval by its Board of Directors of a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.085 per share and an extra dividend of \$0.20 per share payable February 15, 2008 to stockholders of record on February 1, 2008.

See exhibit no. 99.1 attached hereto for the press release relating to this matter.

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.

BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.

Date: January 18, 2008 By: /s/ Paul R. Bechet
Paul R. Bechet
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

The following exhibits are furnished as part of this report:

| <u>Exhibit No.</u> | <u>Description</u> |
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| 99.1 | Press release of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. dated January 17, 2008 |