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CITY NATIONAL CORP Form 8-K April 12, 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) April 8, 2011

City National Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-10521 (Commission File Number) 95-2568550 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

City National Plaza
555 S. Flower Street, Los Angeles, California
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

90071

(Zip Code)

(213) 673-7700

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(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))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On April 8, 2011, City National Corporation issued a press release announcing that its wholly-owned subsidiary, City National Bank, has acquired substantially all of the assets and deposits of Las Vegas-based Nevada Commerce Bank under the terms of a Purchase and Assumption Agreement with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

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99.1 Press Release, dated April 8, 2011, announcing the Acquisition.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

City National Corporation

April 12, 2011

/s/ MICHAEL B. CAHILL Michael B. Cahill Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary (Authorized Officer)

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibits

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