

Hilltop Holdings Inc.  
Form 8-K  
May 09, 2012

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 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): May 9, 2012

**Hilltop Holdings Inc.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Maryland**

(State of Incorporation)

**1-31987**

(Commission File Number)

**84-1477939**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification  
No.)

**200 Crescent Court, Suite 1330**

**Dallas, Texas**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**75201**

(Zip Code)

**(214) 855-2177**

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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 May 9, 2012, Hilltop Holdings Inc. (“Hilltop”) and PlainsCapital Corporation (“PlainsCapital”) issued a joint press release announcing that Hilltop, PlainsCapital and Meadow Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Hilltop, have entered into a definitive merger agreement.

A copy of the joint press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

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

| <b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b> | <b><u>Description</u></b>              |
|---------------------------|--|
| 99.1                      | Joint Press Release dated May 9, 2012. |

**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.

**HILLTOP HOLDINGS INC.**

Date: May 9, 2012

By: /s/ Corey Prestidge

Name: Corey Prestidge

Title: General Counsel and Secretary

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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