VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP Form 8-K September 12, 2006

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) September 12, 2006

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

New Jersey (State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

1-11277 (Commission File Number) 22-2477875 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification Number)

 1455 Valley Road, Wayne, New Jersey
 07

 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)
 (Zip

 Registrant s telephone number, including area code (973) 305-8800

07470 (Zip Code)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

Valley National Bancorp (the Company) is furnishing presentation materials included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K. The presentation materials were prepared to be included in presentations with investors during the third quarter of 2006. The Company is not undertaking to update this presentation. The information in this report (including Exhibit 99.1) is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. This report will not be deemed an admission as to the materiality of any information herein (including Exhibit 99.1).

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Investor Presentation Materials

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.

Dated: September 12, 2006

VALLEY NATIONAL BANCORP

By: /s/ Alan D. Eskow Alan D. Eskow Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.Description99.1Valley National Bancorp Investor Presentation Materials