

NORTHERN TRUST CORP  
Form 8-K  
May 16, 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): May 16, 2011

**Northern Trust Corporation**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**0-5965**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**36-2723087**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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**50 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**  
**(312) 630-6000**

**60603**  
**(Zip Code)**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

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:

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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 May 16, 2011, Northern Trust Corporation (the Corporation ) issued a press release announcing that it had entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Omnium LLC (the Company ), a privately-held hedge fund administrator, for an initial purchase price of \$100 million in cash (subject to adjustment) plus potential earn-out payments based on the financial performance of the Company. The transaction is subject to applicable regulatory approvals and other customary closing conditions. 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.

99.1 Press Release of Northern Trust Corporation, dated May 16, 2011

**SIGNATURES**

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.

**Northern Trust Corporation**

Date: May 16, 2011

By: /s/ Steven L. Fradkin  
Steven L. Fradkin

Executive Vice President and President    Corporate and  
Institutional Services

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit<br/>Number</b> | <b>Description of Exhibit</b>                                   |
|---------------------------|---|
| 99.1                      | Press Release of Northern Trust Corporation, dated May 16, 2011 |