

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC

Form 8-K

October 24, 2016

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): October 24, 2016

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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Delaware  
(State or Other Jurisdiction)  
of Incorporation)

001-15781  
(Commission File No.)

04-3510455  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

24 North Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (413) 443-5601

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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))

**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On October 24, 2016, Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”), the holding company for Berkshire Bank (the “Bank”), announced its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2016. The news release containing the financial results is included as Exhibit 99.1 and shall not be deemed “filed” for any purpose.

The Company will conduct a conference call/webcast on October 25, 2016 to discuss the financial results for the quarter and provide guidance about expected future results. A telephone replay of the call will be available through November 1, 2016. The webcast will be available on the Company’s website for an extended period of time.

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

The Company anticipates that additional 2017 guidance will be provided on the conference call/webcast, which will be conducted on October 25, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. EST. A telephone replay of the call will be available through November 1, 2016 by dialing (877) 344-7529 and entering access number 10093590. The webcast will also be available at [www.berkshirebank.com](http://www.berkshirebank.com) under the Investor Relations tab for an extended period of time.

**Item 8.01 Other Events**

The Company’s Board of Directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.20 per share to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 10, 2016, payable on November 23, 2016.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.
- (c) Shell Company Transactions. Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

**Exhibit No. Description**

99.1 News Release dated October 24, 2016

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.

**Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc.**

DATE: October 24, 2016 By: /s/ Michael P. Daly  
Michael P. Daly

President and Chief Executive Officer