

MERIDIAN INTERSTATE BANCORP INC  
Form 425  
June 12, 2014

**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): June 10, 2014**

**MERIDIAN INTERSTATE BANCORP, INC.**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)**

**Massachusetts  
(State or Other Jurisdiction)**

**001-33898  
(Commission**

**20-4652200  
(I.R.S. Employer**

**of Incorporation)**

**File No.)**

**Identification No.)**

**67 Prospect Street, Peabody, Massachusetts  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

**01960  
(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 567-1500**

**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):

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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 20, 2014, Meridian Interstate Bancorp, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation, announced that Meridian Bancorp, Inc., a Maryland corporation, had commenced a community offering as part of its stock offering in connection with the mutual-to-stock conversion of Meridian Financial Services, Incorporated. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Description</b>
99	Press release dated June 10, 2014

**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.

**MERIDIAN INTERSTATE BANCORP, INC.**

DATE: June 12, 2014

By: /s/ Mark L. Abbate  
Mark L. Abbate  
Senior Vice President, Treasurer and  
Chief Financial Officer