

HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA INC  
Form 8-K  
October 28, 2015

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 of 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

October 26, 2015

Heartland Financial USA, Inc.  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number: 001-15393

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

42-1405748  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

1398 Central Avenue  
Dubuque, Iowa 52001  
(Address of principal executive offices)

(563) 589-2100  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

At a special meeting held October 26, 2015, the shareholders of Premier Valley Bank approved the merger of Premier Valley with a wholly-owned subsidiary of Heartland in accordance with the Agreement Plan of Merger dated May 28, 2015 and California Law. Heartland has also received substantially all required regulatory approvals to complete the merger, and the parties currently expect the transaction to close on November 30, 2015. After the merger, Premier Valley Bank will continue to operate under its current name and management as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Heartland.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.

None.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

None.

(c) Exhibits.

None.

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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.

Date: October 28, 2015

HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA, INC.

By: /s/ Bryan R. McKeag  
Executive Vice President  
Chief Financial Officer