

PEOPLES BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
November 03, 2014

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): November 3, 2014

PEOPLES BANCORP INC.
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-16772 (Commission File Number)	31-0987416 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
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138 Putnam Street, PO Box 738 Marietta, Ohio (Address of principal executive offices)	45750-0738 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code:	(740) 373-3155
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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:

- ☒ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 - ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - ☐ 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

From time-to-time between November 3, 2014 and November 21, 2014, the management team of Peoples Bancorp Inc. ("Peoples"), including the President and Chief Executive Officer, and the Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, intend to conduct one or more meetings with investors and analysts. These individuals intend to use an investor presentation containing financial data and other information regarding Peoples to assist the investors and analysts with their understanding of the business and financial performance of Peoples. A copy of the investor presentation is included as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K is being furnished under Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of such section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

a) - c)

Not applicable

d) Exhibits

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Safe Harbor Statement

This Current Report on Form 8-K and the investor presentation included as Exhibit 99 contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21E of the Exchange Act and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are identified by the fact they are not historical facts and may include discussions of the strategic plans and objectives or anticipated future performance and events of Peoples.

Peoples encourages readers of this Current Report on Form 8-K to understand forward-looking statements to be strategic objectives rather than absolute targets of future performance. Further, the information contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K and the investor presentation included as Exhibit 99 hereto should be read in conjunction with Peoples' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 ("Peoples' 2013 Form 10-K") and Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2014, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and available on the SEC's website (www.sec.gov) or at Peoples' website (www.peoplesbancorp.com).

Readers are cautioned that forward-looking statements, which are not historical fact, involve risks and uncertainties, including those detailed in Peoples' 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC under the section, "Risk Factors" in Part I, Item 1A. As such, actual results could differ materially from those contemplated by forward-looking statements made in this Current Report on Form 8-K and the investor presentation included as Exhibit 99 hereto. Management believes the expectations in these forward-looking statements are based upon reasonable assumptions within the bounds of management's knowledge of Peoples' business and operations. Peoples disclaims any responsibility to update these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

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.

PEOPLES BANCORP INC.

Date: November 3, 2014

By:/s/ EDWARD G. SLOANE
Edward G. Sloane

Executive Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number	Description
99	November 2014 Investor Presentation