Edgar Filing: SOUTH STATE Corp - Form 8-K SOUTH STATE Corp Form 8-K March 22, 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): March 17, 2016 SOUTH STATE CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) South Carolina 001-12669 57-0799315 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

520 Gervais Street

incorporation)

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
(800) 277-2175
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)
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 5.02 - Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Effective March 17, 2016, John F. Windley, President and Chief Banking Officer of South State Bank (the "Bank"), has been named President and Chief Executive Officer of South State Bank, the primary subsidiary of South State Corporation ("SSB" or the "Company"). Windley joined the Bank in 2002 and has served in various leadership capacities.

Robert R. Hill, Jr., CEO of South State Corporation, has been CEO of the Company and the Bank since 2004 and will continue in his role as CEO of the Company.

Information regarding Mr. Windley's business experience and relationships with the Company has been previously reported in the Company's proxy statement filed March 4, 2016, and in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on February 24, 2016, and such information is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release issued by the Company in connection with this announcement on March 22, 2016.

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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.

SOUTH STATE CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date: March 22, 2016 /s/ John C. Pollok

John C. Pollok

Senior Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer

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