

SOUTH STATE Corp  
Form 8-K  
May 17, 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): May 13, 2016

SOUTH STATE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| South Carolina                                    | 001-12669                | 57-0799315                           |
| (State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

520 Gervais Street

Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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(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)

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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 5.02 - Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On May 13, 2016, Mr. Martin B. Davis was appointed as a member of the Board of Directors of South State Corporation (“SSB”). Mr. Davis will initially serve on the Risk and Audit Committees of SSB. He currently serves as executive vice president of Southern Company Services and chief information officer of Southern Company. Mr. Davis has spent nearly 30 years leading complex technology organizations in highly regulated environments, including the utility industry and the financial services industry. A copy of the Corporation's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press release issued by the Company in connection with this announcement on May 17, 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: May 17, 2016 /s/ John C. Pollok  
John C. Pollok  
Senior Executive Vice President,  
Chief Financial Officer and  
Chief Operating Officer

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