

PREMIER FINANCIAL BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
May 16, 2011

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 16, 2011

PREMIER FINANCIAL BANCORP, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Kentucky  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation organization)

61-1206757  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2883 Fifth Avenue  
Huntington, West Virginia  
(Address of principal executive offices)

25702  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number (304) 525-1600

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

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PREMIER FINANCIAL BANCORP, INC,  
INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On May 16, 2011, Premier issued a press release announcing it had received approval from the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond and the Federal Reserve Board of Governors to pay the regularly scheduled quarterly dividend due May 16, 2011 and the prior two deferred dividends on Premier's Series A Preferred Stock owned by the U.S. Treasury under the Troubled Asset Relief Program ("TARP").

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibit 99.1 - Press Release dated May 16, 2011.

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.

PREMIER FINANCIAL BANCORP, INC.  
(Registrant)

/s/ Brien M. Chase  
Date: May 16, 2011  
and Chief Financial Officer

Brien M. Chase, Senior Vice President

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release dated May 16, 2011 captioned "Premier Financial Bancorp, Inc. Receives Approval to Pay TARP Dividends"

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