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SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC Form 8-K July 10, 2008

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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): July 9, 2008

SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland000-1906552-1532952(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number)(IRS Employer Identification No.)

17801 Georgia Avenue, Olney, Maryland 20832

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (301) 774-6400

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 9, 2008, Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc. issued a press release announcing that it will take a provision for loan losses of \$6.2 million in the second quarter.

For further information, see the Company's press release dated July 9, 2008, attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Other Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated July 9, 2008

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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.

SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: July 9, 2008

By: /s/ Hunter R. Hollar

Hunter R. Hollar

Chief Executive Officer

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