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

October 27, 2008

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

BB&T Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number: 1-10853

North Carolina 56-0939887

(State of incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

200 West Second Street

Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27101 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(336) 733-2000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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ITEM 8.01 Other Events

On October 27, 2008, BB&T Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing that it has received preliminary approval from the United States Department of the Treasury (Treasury) to participate in the Treasury s Capital Purchase Program. The Company will issue and sell to the Treasury preferred stock and warrants to purchase shares of common stock of the Company in accordance with the terms of the Capital Purchase Program for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$3.1 billion. The Treasury s term sheet describing the Capital Purchase Program is available on the Treasury s website at http://www.ustreas.gov.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release announcing BB&T s participation in the Treasury Department s Capital Purchase Program.

SIGNATURE

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.

BB&T CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /S/ EDWARD D. VEST

Edward D. Vest
Executive Vice President and Corporate Controller
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Date: October 28, 2008