

BROOKLINE BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
April 18, 2008

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**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): April 17, 2008

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**BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| <b>Delaware</b>                                   | <b>0-23695</b>        | <b>04-3402944</b>                       |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission File No.) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |

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| <b><u>160 Washington Street, Brookline, Massachusetts</u></b> | <b><u>02447-0469</u></b> |
| (Address of principal executive offices)                      | (Zip Code)               |

**(617) 730-3500**  
(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):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition, Declaration of Dividends**

On April 17, 2008, Brookline Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”) announced its earnings for the 2008 first quarter and approval by its Board of Directors of a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.085 per share payable May 15, 2008 to stockholders of record on April 30, 2008.

See exhibit no. 99.1 attached hereto for the press release relating to this matter and exhibit no. 99.2 for the slides presented at the annual stockholders meeting of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. which occurred on April 17, 2008.

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**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.

**BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.**

Date: April 18, 2008    By: /s/ Paul R. Bechet  
Paul R. Bechet  
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

The following exhibits are furnished as part of this report:

| <u>Exhibit No.</u> | <u>Description</u>   |
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| 99.1               | Press release of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. dated April 17, 2008                                    |
| 99.2               | Slides presented at the annual stockholders meeting of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. on April 17, 2008 |