

NewStar Financial, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
February 22, 2010

**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

February 22, 2010

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

**NewStar Financial, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**001-33211**  
(Commission File  
Number)

**54-2157878**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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500 Boylston Street, Suite 1250, Boston, MA 02116

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(617) 848-2500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(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:

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- .. Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- .. 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))

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

NewStar Financial, Inc. (the Company) is furnishing under this Item 7.01 a copy of a slide show corporate presentation dated February 2010 that may be given by the Company from time to time in conferences and other discussions with investors, analysts and other interested parties. The presentation includes certain updates regarding the Company's loan portfolio and strategy. The presentation is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 and in Exhibit 99.1 is furnished and shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing made by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Presentation of NewStar Financial, Inc. dated February 2010.

**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.

Date: February 22, 2010

**NEWSTAR FINANCIAL INC.**

By: /s/ JOHN K. BRAY  
**John K. Bray**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| <b>Exhibit<br/>Number</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
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