

US BANCORP \DE\  
Form 8-K  
August 14, 2018

**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): **August 13, 2018**

**U.S. BANCORP**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**1-6880**  
(Commission File Number)

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

**41-0255900**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

**800 Nicollet Mall**  
**Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402**  
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

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(651) 466-3000

(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:

- 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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act

**Item 3.03. Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.**

The information set forth in Item 5.03 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 5.03. Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

On August 13, 2018, U.S. Bancorp, a Delaware corporation (the Company), filed a Certificate of Designations for the purpose of amending its Certificate of Incorporation to fix the designations, preferences, limitations and relative rights of its Series K Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, par value \$1.00 per share and a liquidation preference of \$25,000 per share (the Preferred Stock). A copy of the Certificate of Designations is attached hereto as Exhibit 4.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On August 14, 2018, the Company will close the sale of 23,000,000 depositary shares (the Depositary Shares), with each Depositary Share representing ownership of 1/1000th of a share of the Company's Preferred Stock, which were registered pursuant to a registration statement on Form S-3 (SEC File No. 333-217413), which was automatically effective on April 21, 2017 (the Registration Statement). The following documents are being filed with this report on Form 8-K and shall be incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement: (i) Underwriting Agreement, dated August 7, 2018, between the Company and Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, UBS Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the underwriters named in Schedule I thereto, which incorporates by reference the U.S. Bancorp Underwriting Agreement Standard Provisions (Preferred Stock, Which May Be Represented by Depositary Shares) (August 7, 2018); (ii) Certificate of Designations of the Company, dated August 13, 2018; (iii) form of certificate representing the Company's Preferred Stock; (iv) Deposit Agreement, dated as of August 14, 2018, among U.S. Bancorp, U.S. Bank National Association and the holders from time to time of the depositary receipts described therein; (v) form of depositary receipt representing the Depositary Shares; and (vi) validity opinion with respect to the Depositary Shares and the Preferred Stock.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated August 7, 2018, between the Company and Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, UBS Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, as representatives of the underwriters named in Schedule I thereto.
- 1.2 U.S. Bancorp Underwriting Agreement Standard Provisions (Preferred Stock, Which May Be Represented by Depositary Shares) (August 7, 2018).
- 4.1 Certificate of Designations of U.S. Bancorp with respect to Series K Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, dated August 13, 2018.
- 4.2 Form of certificate representing the Series K Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock.

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- 4.3 Deposit Agreement, dated as of August 14, 2018, among U.S. Bancorp, U.S. Bank National Association and the holders from time to time of the depositary receipts described therein.
- 4.4 Form of depositary receipt (included as part of Exhibit 4.3).
- 5.1 Validity opinion of Mayer Brown LLP.
- 23.1 Consent of Mayer Brown LLP (included as part of Exhibit 5.1).

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

U.S. BANCORP

Date: August 14, 2018

By: /s/ James L. Chosy  
Name: James L. Chosy  
Title: Executive Vice President and General Counsel