

STERLING BANCORP  
Form 8-K  
November 08, 2012  
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) November 7, 2012

Commission File Number: 1-5273-1

Sterling Bancorp  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

New York  
(State of other jurisdiction of incorporation)

13-2565216  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

650 Fifth Avenue , New York, New York  
(Address of principal executive offices)

10019-6108  
(Zip Code)

(212) 757-3300  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

NA  
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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On November 7, 2012, the Company announced the declaration of a cash dividend of \$0.09 per common share payable on December 31, 2012 to shareholders of record on December 14, 2012.

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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.

DATE:

November 8, 2012

BY:

/s/ JOHN W. TIETJEN  
JOHN W. TIETJEN  
Executive Vice President  
and Chief Financial Officer