

STERLING FINANCIAL CORP /WA/

Form 8-K

July 06, 2006

**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): July 5, 2006

STERLING FINANCIAL CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

0-20800
(Commission File Number)

91-1572822
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

111 North Wall Street, Spokane, Washington 99201

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(509) 458-3711

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On July 5, 2006, Sterling Financial Corporation (Sterling) issued a press release announcing the closing of the acquisition of Lynnwood Financial Group, Inc. by Sterling. The text of the press release is included as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) The following exhibit is being filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	Exhibit Description
99.1	Press release text of Sterling dated July 5, 2006.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

STERLING FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Registrant)

July 5, 2006
Date

By: /s/ Daniel G. Byrne
Daniel G. Byrne
Executive Vice President, Assistant Secretary, and
Principal Financial Officer

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r)3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)4. Transaction Code
(Instr. 8)5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)
(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
(Instr. 3 and 4)8. Price of Derivative Security
(Instr. 5)9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)
(Instr. 4)10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 4)11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 4)CodeV(A)(D)Date ExercisableExpiration DateTitleAmount or Number of Shares Restricted Stock Units \$ 008/14/2017 M⁽¹⁾
3,65808/14/2017 (1) Common Stock 3,658 \$ 0 3,657 D

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TYSON TIMOTHY C/O BIODELIVERY SCIENCES INTL, INC., 4131 PARKLAKE AVE. SUITE 225 RALEIGH, NC 27612	X			

Signatures

/s/ Timothy
 Tyson 08/16/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

The shares of common stock were acquired by the Reporting Person as a result of the vesting of one-half of the RSUs granted to the
(1) Reporting Person on July 14, 2017 under the Issuer's 2011 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended. The remaining RSUs under this grant will vest in the first open window following the Company's 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

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