

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP

Form 8-K

January 17, 2008

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 8-K**

**Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of
The Securities and Exchange Act of 1934**

DATE OF REPORT:

January 17, 2008

(Date of Earliest Event Reported)

MASSACHUSETTS

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-9047

(Commission File Number)

04-2870273

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP.

288 UNION ST., ROCKLAND, MA

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

02370

(Zip Code)

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

781-878-6100

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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))
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ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

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ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On January 17, 2008 Independent Bank Corp. and Slade s Ferry Bancorp. jointly announced today by press release a special meeting of shareholders of Slade s Ferry Bancorp to approve the acquisition. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(a) Not applicable.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) The following exhibits are included with this Report:

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SIGNATURE

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

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP.

DATE: January 17, 2008

/s/ DENIS K. SHEAHAN
DENIS K. SHEAHAN
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER