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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 EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report: September 18, 2002

State Street Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Massachusetts 0-5108 04-2456637

(State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

225 Franklin Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 786-3000

Item 5. Other Events.

On September 18, 2002, Registrant issued a statement that it is in exclusive discussions with Deutsche Bank AG concerning its possible acquisition of substantial parts of Deutsche Bank s global securities service business.

The press release issued by Registrant in connection with the announcement is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

- Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.
 - (c) Exhibits.

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99.1 Form of press release dated September 18, 2002

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.

STATE STREET CORPORATION

By: /s/Frederick P. Baughman

Name: Frederick P. Baughman Title: Senior Vice President,

Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer

Date: September 19, 2002

EXHIBIT INDEX

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