
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):

April 9, 2014

Huntington Bancshares Incorporated

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland

1-34073

31-0724920

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

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

41 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio

43287

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

614-480-8300

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:

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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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Item 8.01 Other Events.

COLUMBUS, Ohio – On April 9, 2014, Huntington Bancshares Incorporated announced the signing of a definitive agreement under which Huntington National Bank will purchase 11 branches in Central and East Michigan from Bank of America Corporation. Huntington’s acquisition will increase the bank’s Michigan branch total to 173 statewide including 80 locations in Huntington’s East Michigan region.

Huntington will purchase approximately \$450 million in deposits, for a deposit premium of 3.5 percent based on deposit balances near the time the transaction closes. The transaction to acquire branches and deposits excludes loans and is expected to be completed in the second half of 2014, subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions, including regulatory approvals.

While there is no assurance that any list of risks and uncertainties or risk factors is complete, below are certain factors which could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained or implied in the forward-looking statements: (1) worsening of credit quality performance due to a number of factors such as the underlying value of collateral that could prove less valuable than otherwise assumed and assumed cash flows may be worse than expected; (2) changes in general economic, political, or industry conditions; uncertainty in U.S. fiscal and monetary policy, including the interest rate policies of the Federal Reserve Board; volatility and disruptions in global capital and credit markets; (3) movements in interest rates; (4) competitive pressures on product pricing and services; (5) success, impact, and timing of our business strategies, including market acceptance of any new products or services implementing our “Fair Play” banking philosophy; (6) changes in accounting policies and principles and the accuracy of our assumptions and estimates used to prepare our financial statements; (7) extended disruption of vital infrastructure; (8) the final outcome of significant litigation; (9) the nature, extent, timing, and results of governmental actions, examinations, reviews, reforms, regulations, and interpretations, including those related to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and the Basel III regulatory capital reforms, as well as those involving the OCC, Federal Reserve, FDIC, and CFPB; and (10) the outcome of judicial and regulatory decisions regarding practices in the residential mortgage industry, including among other things the processes followed for foreclosing residential mortgages. Additional factors that could cause results to differ materially from those described above can be found in Huntington’s 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K, and documents subsequently filed by Huntington with the Securities and Exchange Commission. All forward-looking statements included in this document are based on information available at the time of the release. Huntington assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking statement.

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.

April 9, 2014

Huntington Bancshares Incorporated

By: Stephen D. Steinour

Name: Stephen D. Steinour

Title: Chairman, President, Chief Executive Officer

Exhibit Index

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	News Release of Huntington Bancshares Incorporated dated April 9, 2014

NEWS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 9, 2014

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HUNTINGTON BANCSHARES TO ACQUIRE 11 BRANCHES IN CENTRAL AND EAST MICHIGAN

*Huntington National Bank purchase expands Huntington's Michigan market presence
and adds approximately \$450 million in deposits*

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"We look forward to welcoming these new Michigan customers to Huntington as we enhance our branch service network in an important part of the state," said Stephen D. Steinour, chairman, president and CEO of Huntington. "We are also looking forward to welcoming new colleagues from these branches retaining Michigan jobs. This acquisition underscores Huntington's ongoing commitment to Michigan."

Huntington's branch network will expand into Midland, Alma, Port Huron, Gratiot, St. Clair, Algonac and Richmond via the acquisition, and grow in the Saginaw and Bay City areas, completing the introduction of Huntington in-store Meijer branch locations. The Michigan acquisition follows the recent successful completion of Huntington's purchase of Camco Financial Corp. with locations in Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia.

Huntington's announcement today is the latest display of the bank's commitment to growth in Michigan. Huntington has engaged in a series of public-private partnerships with the state of Michigan and Michigan Economic Development Corporation since 2011, including the successful completion of a \$2 billion statewide lending commitment to commercial and small businesses. The bank is also engaged in ongoing strategic partnership with Meijer that has added nearly 40 in-store locations since its launch in 2012, and will comprise more than 80 total in-store Michigan locations by 2020.


Huntington's new customers will be able to take advantage of the bank's unique products including Asterisk-Free Checking®, a checking account with no monthly fee and no minimum balance requirement that comes with 24-Hour Grace® providing the opportunity to avoid overdraft fees. The transition will also further extend Huntington's business banking reach as the No. 1 Small Business Administration lender in Michigan.

Following completion of the acquisition, customers also will have access to Huntington's entire 1,500-ATM network throughout the Midwest, with no service charge, as well as more than 700 traditional and in-store branch locations.

For more information on Huntington products and services, customers can call 1-800-480-BANK (2265) or visit www.huntington.com.

About Huntington

Huntington Bancshares Incorporated is a \$59 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. The Huntington National Bank, founded in 1866, and its affiliates provide full-service commercial, small business, and consumer banking services; mortgage banking services; treasury management and foreign exchange services; equipment leasing; wealth and investment management services; trust services; brokerage services; customized insurance brokerage and service programs; and other financial products and services. The principal markets for these services are Huntington's six-state retail banking franchise: Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Indiana, West Virginia, and Kentucky. The primary distribution channels include a banking network of more than 700 traditional branches and convenience branches located in grocery stores and retirement centers, and through an array of alternative distribution channels including internet and mobile banking, telephone banking, and more than 1,500 ATMs. Through automotive dealership relationships within its six-state retail banking franchise area and selected other Midwest and New England states, Huntington also provides commercial banking services to the automotive dealers and retail automobile financing for dealer customers.

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