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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 13, 2013

M&T BANK CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

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1-9861 (Commission 16-0968385 (I.R.S. Employer

File Number)

Identification No.)

One M&T Plaza, Buffalo, New York 14203 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (716) 842-5445

(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 (see General Instructions A.2. below):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Information

On April 13, 2013 M&T Bank Corporation (M&T), Hudson City Bancorp, Inc. (Hudson City) and Wilmington Trust Corporation, a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of M&T (Merger Sub), entered into an amendment (the Amendment) to that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger (the Merger Agreement), dated as of August 27, 2012, by and among M&T, Hudson City and Merger Sub, pursuant to which, among other things, Hudson City will merge with and into Merger Sub, with Merger Sub continuing as the surviving corporation (the Merger).

The Amendment (1) extends, from August 27, 2013 to January 31, 2014, the date after which either M&T or Hudson City can elect to terminate the Merger Agreement if the Merger has not yet been completed, (2) specifies certain actions that Hudson City may take prior to the consummation of the Merger, including with respect to Hudson City s conduct of business, retiree benefits, retention incentives and certain other matters with respect to Hudson City personnel, notwithstanding the covenants and agreements in the Merger Agreement that prohibit Hudson City from taking certain actions prior to such time, and (3) provides that if (i) Hudson City receives an alternative acquisition proposal that Hudson City s board of directors determines, after taking into account all aspects of such proposal, is more favorable from a financial point of view to Hudson City s stockholders than the Merger and (ii) the proposal is approved by Hudson City s stockholders, then Hudson City may terminate the Merger Agreement, subject to payment of a termination fee to M&T.

The foregoing description of the Amendment does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Amendment, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 giving M&T s expectations or predictions of future financial or business performance or conditions. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by words such as believe, expect, anticipate, intend, target, estimate, continue, positions, prospects or poter conditional verbs such as will, would, should, could or may, or by variations of such words or by similar expressions. These forward-looking statements are subject to numerous assumptions, risks and uncertainties which change over time. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made and we assume no duty to update forward-looking statements.

In addition to factors previously disclosed in M&T s reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and those identified elsewhere in this filing, the following factors among others, could cause actual results to differ materially from forward-looking statements or historical performance: ability to obtain regulatory approvals and meet other closing conditions to the merger, including approval by M&T and Hudson City shareholders, on the expected terms and schedule; delay in closing the merger; difficulties and delays in integrating the M&T and Hudson City businesses or fully realizing cost savings and other benefits; business disruption following the Merger; changes in asset quality and credit risk; the inability to sustain revenue and earnings growth; changes in interest rates and capital markets; inflation; customer acceptance of M&T products and services; customer borrowing, repayment, investment and deposit practices; customer disintermediation; the introduction, withdrawal, success and timing of business initiatives; competitive conditions; the inability to realize cost savings or revenues or to implement integration plans and other consequences associated with mergers, acquisitions and divestitures; economic conditions; and the impact, extent and timing of technological changes, capital management activities, and other actions of the Federal Reserve Board and legislative and regulatory actions and reforms.

Important Additional Information.

In connection with the Merger, M&T filed with the SEC on February 22, 2013 a Registration Statement on Form S-4 that includes a Joint Proxy Statement of M&T and Hudson City and a Prospectus of M&T (together with the Joint

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Proxy Statement, as amended, the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus), as well as other relevant documents concerning the proposed transaction. The S-4 has been declared effective and the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus was first mailed to shareholders of M&T and Hudson City on or about February 27, 2013. Each of M&T and Hudson City may file other relevant documents concerning the proposed transaction. SHAREHOLDERS OF M&T AND HUDSON CITY ARE URGED TO READ THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT AND THE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS REGARDING THE MERGER AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC, AS WELL AS ANY AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS TO THOSE DOCUMENTS WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE, BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

A free copy of the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus, as well as other filings containing information about M&T and Hudson City, may be obtained at the SEC s Internet site (http://www.sec.gov). You will also be able to obtain these documents, free of charge, from M&T at www.mtb.com under the tab About Us and then under the heading Investor Relations or from Hudson City by accessing Hudson City s website at www.hcsbonline.com under the heading Investor Relations. Copies of the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus can also be obtained, free of charge, by directing a request to Investor Relations, One M&T Plaza, Buffalo, New York 14203, (716) 842-5445.

M&T and Hudson City and certain of their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the shareholders of M&T and Hudson City in connection with the Merger. Information about the directors and executive officers of M&T and their ownership of M&T common stock is set forth in the proxy statement for M&T s 2013 annual meeting of shareholders, as filed with the SEC on Schedule 14A on March 6, 2013. Information about the directors and executive officers of Hudson City and their ownership of Hudson City common stock is set forth in the proxy statement for Hudson City s 2012 annual meeting of shareholders, as filed with the SEC on a Schedule 14A on March 19, 2012. Additional information regarding the interests of those participants and other persons who may be deemed participants in the transaction may be obtained by reading the Joint Proxy Statement/Prospectus regarding the Merger and other relevant materials filed with the SEC. Free copies of this document may be obtained as described in the preceding paragraph.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

2.1 Amendment No. 1, dated as of April 13, 2013, to Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of August 27, 2012, by and among M&T Bank Corporation, Hudson City Bancorp, Inc. and Wilmington Trust Corporation

SIGNATURES

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

M&T BANK CORPORATION

/s/ René F. Jones René F. Jones Executive Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

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