

HANCOCK JOHN PATRIOT PREMIUM DIVIDEND FUND II  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE TO  
ISSUER TENDER OFFER STATEMENT  
(PURSUANT TO SECTION 13(e)(1) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934)**

**JOHN HANCOCK PATRIOT PREMIUM DIVIDEND FUND II**  
(Name of Issuer)

**JOHN HANCOCK PATRIOT PREMIUM DIVIDEND FUND II**  
(Name of Person Filing Statement)

**SHARES OF COMMON STOCK,  
PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE**  
(Title of Class of Securities)

**41013T105**  
(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications on Behalf of Person(s) Filing Statement)

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amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

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**Items 1-11.**

Not applicable.

**Item 12. Exhibits**

Text of press release issued on January 9, 2009 relating to John Hancock Patriot Premium Dividend Fund II.

**Item 13. Information Required by Schedule 13E-3.**

Not applicable.