

WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION

Form 8-K

August 19, 2010

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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): August 19, 2010**

**WESTERN ALLIANCE BANCORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Nevada**

**001-32550**

**88-0365922**

(State or other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**2700 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada**

**89102**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(702) 248-4200**

(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On August 19, 2010, Western Alliance Bancorporation, a Nevada corporation (the Company), issued a press release announcing the pricing at a price to the public of \$6.25 per share of its previously announced offering of 7,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (the Common Stock). The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

In connection with this offering, the Company has directed the Underwriter to allocate a significant portion of the offering (6.1 million shares) to a large institutional investor. In addition, this investor has requested and the Company has agreed to use its best efforts to pursue a debt offering of \$50 million to \$75 million, with tentative terms that could include a 5-year maturity, and an interest rate in the range of 9.5% to 10.5%. The investor has expressed an interest in purchasing a significant portion of the potential debt offering. However, the Company is under no binding obligation to conclude a debt offering. This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy debt securities.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

**Exhibit No. Description**

99.1 Press Release dated August 19, 2010.

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**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.

**WESTERN ALLIANCE  
BANCORPORATION**  
(Registrant)

Date: August 19, 2010

By: /s/ Dale Gibbons  
Dale Gibbons  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release dated August 19, 2010.