CRESCENT FINANCIAL CORP Form SC 14D9 October 25, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14D-9

SOLICITATION/ RECOMMENDATION STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 14(d)(4) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

CRESCENT FINANCIAL CORPORATION (Name of Subject Company (issuer))

CRESCENT FINANCIAL CORPORATION (Names of Persons Filing Statement)

Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (Title of Class of Securities)

225744 10 1 (CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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Item 9. Material to be filed as Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed herewith:

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release issued by Piedmont Community Bank Holdings, Inc. and Crescent Financial Corporation, dated October 24, 2011.

SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: October 24, 2011

CRESCENT FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Bruce W. Elder

Name: Bruce W. Elder

Title: Vice President and Secretary