

People's United Financial, Inc.
Form 425
June 19, 2018

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) June 19, 2018

People s United Financial, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

850 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT

001-33326
(Commission

File Number)

20-8447891
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

06604

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (203) 338-7171

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K 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)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01. Other Events

On June 19, 2018, People's United Financial, Inc. (People's United) issued a press release announcing the execution of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of June 18, 2018, by and between People's United and First Connecticut Bancorp, Inc. (First Connecticut), pursuant to which, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth therein, First Connecticut will merge with and into People's United, with People's United as the surviving corporation in the merger. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

Additionally, People's United provided supplemental information regarding the proposed transaction in connection with presentations to analysts and investors. A copy of the investor presentation is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

Forward-Looking Statements

This communication contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 including, but not limited to, People's United's and First Connecticut'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, plan, predict, guidance, goal, objective, prospects, possible or potential, by future conditional verbs such as assume, will, 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. Actual results may differ materially from current projections.

In addition to factors previously disclosed in People's United's and First Connecticut's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and those identified elsewhere in this communication, 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 First Connecticut shareholders on the expected terms and schedule, including the risk that regulatory approvals required for the merger are not obtained or are obtained subject to conditions that are not anticipated; delay in closing the merger; difficulties and delays in integrating the First Connecticut business 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 People's United's 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.

Annualized, pro forma, projected and estimated numbers are used for illustrative purpose only, are not forecasts and may not reflect actual results.

Important Additional Information and Where to Find It

This communication is being made in respect of the proposed merger transaction involving People's United and First Connecticut. People's United will file a registration statement on Form S-4 with the SEC, which will include a proxy statement of First Connecticut and a prospectus of People's United, and each party will file other relevant documents regarding the proposed transaction with the SEC. A definitive proxy statement/prospectus will also be sent to the First Connecticut stockholders seeking any required stockholder approval. This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities or a solicitation of any vote or approval. **Before making any voting or investment decision, investors and shareholders of First Connecticut are urged to carefully read the entire registration statement and proxy statement/prospectus, when they become available, and any other relevant documents filed with the SEC, as well as any amendments or supplements to these documents, because they will contain important information about the proposed transaction.** The documents filed by People's United and First Connecticut with the SEC may be obtained free of charge at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, the documents filed by People's United may be obtained free of charge from People's United at www.peoples.com under the tab "Investor Relations" and then under the heading "Financial Information", and the documents filed by First Connecticut may be obtained free of charge from First Connecticut at www.firstconnecticutbancorp.com under the tab "SEC Filings" and then under the heading "Documents". Alternatively, these documents, when available, can be obtained free of charge from People's United upon written request to People's United Financial, Inc., 850 Main Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut 06604, Attn: Investor Relations, by calling (203) 338-4581, or by sending an email to andrew.hersom@peoples.com or from First Connecticut upon written request to One Farm Glen Boulevard, Farmington, Connecticut 06032, by calling (860) 284-6359, or by sending an email to investor-relations@firstconnecticutbancorp.com.

People's United and First Connecticut and certain of their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the shareholders of First Connecticut in favor of the approval of the merger. Information regarding People's United's directors and executive officers is contained in People's United's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and its Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, dated March 7, 2018, which are filed with the SEC. Information regarding First Connecticut's directors and executive officers is contained in First Connecticut's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and its Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A, dated March 29, 2018, which are filed with the SEC. 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 registration statement and the proxy statement/prospectus when they become available. Free copies of these documents may be obtained as described in the preceding paragraph.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) The following Exhibits are filed herewith.

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | <u>Joint Press Release, dated June 19, 2018</u> |
| 99.2 | <u>Investor Presentation, dated June 19, 2018</u> |

SIGNATURE

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.

People's United Financial, Inc.
(Registrant)

Date: June 19, 2018

By: /s/ Robert E. Trautmann
(Signature)

Name: Robert E. Trautmann, Esq.

Title: Senior Executive Vice President, General Counsel
and Corporate Secretary