State Auto Financial CORP Form 8-K May 19, 2011

## **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): May 19, 2011 (May 16, 2011)

# STATE AUTO FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

000-19289 (Commission 31-1324304 (IRS Employer

File Number)

Identification No.)

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518 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio (Address of principal executive offices) Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (614) 464-5000 43215-3976 (Zip Code)

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 Instruction A.2. below):

" Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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" 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))

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

Attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated herein by reference is a press release issued by State Auto Financial Corporation on May 16, 2011.

#### Section 9. Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit

- No. Description
- 99.1 Press release issued by State Auto Financial Corporation on May 16, 2011.

#### 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.

#### STATE AUTO FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Date: May 19, 2011

By /s/ James A. Yano Vice President and General Counsel

#### EXHIBIT INDEX

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