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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): December 14, 2011

COMERICA INCORPORATED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-10706
(Commission File Number)

38-1998421
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

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Comerica Bank Tower

1717 Main Street, MC 6404

Dallas, Texas 75201

(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

(214) 462-6831

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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

ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On December 14, 2011, Comerica Incorporated (Comerica) issued a press release announcing that the Board of Directors of Comerica (the Board) approved Comerica s plan to continue its existing share repurchase program in the first quarter of 2012. Comerica anticipates that its share repurchase program, combined with dividend payments, will result in a payout of up to 50 percent of net income for the first quarter of 2012. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information in this report (including Exhibit 99.1 hereto) is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is not subject to the liabilities of that section and is not deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Any statements in this report that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as anticipates, believes, feels, expects, estimates, seeks, strives, plans, intends, outlook, forecast, mission, assume, achievable, potential, strategy, goal, aspiration, opportunity, initiative, outcome, continue, remain, m pending, looks forward and variations of such words and similar expressions, or future or conditional verbs such as will, would, should, co might, can, may or similar expressions, as they relate to Comerica or its management, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are predicated on the beliefs and assumptions of Comerica s management based on information known to Comerica s management as of the date of this report and do not purport to speak as of any other date. Forward-looking statements may include descriptions of plans and objectives of Comerica s management for future or past operations, products or services, and forecasts of Comerica s revenue, earnings or other measures of economic performance, including statements of profitability, business segments and subsidiaries, estimates of credit trends and global stability. Such statements reflect the view of Comerica s management as of this date with respect to future events and are subject to risks and uncertainties. Should one or more of these risks materialize or should underlying beliefs or assumptions prove incorrect, Comerica s actual results could differ materially from those discussed. Factors that could cause or contribute to such differences are changes in general economic, political or industry conditions and related credit and market conditions; changes in trade, monetary and fiscal policies, including the interest rate policies of the Federal Reserve Board; adverse conditions in the capital markets; the interdependence of financial service companies; changes in regulation or oversight, including the effects of recently enacted legislation, actions taken by or proposed by the U.S. Treasury, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Texas Department of Banking and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, legislation or regulations enacted in the future, and the impact and expiration of such legislation and regulatory actions; unfavorable developments concerning credit quality; the acquisition of Sterling Bancshares, Inc., or any future acquisitions; the effects of more stringent capital or liquidity requirements; declines or other changes in the businesses or industries in which Comerica has a concentration of loans, including, but not limited to, the automotive production industry and the real estate business lines; the implementation of Comerica s strategies and business models, including the anticipated performance of any new banking centers and the implementation of revenue enhancements and efficiency improvements; Comerica s ability to utilize technology to efficiently and effectively develop, market and deliver new products and services; operational difficulties or information security problems; changes in the financial markets, including fluctuations in interest rates and their impact on deposit pricing; the entry of new competitors in Comerica s markets; changes in customer borrowing, repayment, investment and deposit practices; management s ability to maintain and expand customer relationships; management s ability to retain key officers and employees; the impact of legal and regulatory proceedings; the effectiveness of methods of reducing risk exposures; the effects of war and other armed conflicts or acts of terrorism and the effects of catastrophic events including, but not limited to, hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes, fires, droughts and floods. Comerica cautions that the foregoing list of factors is not exclusive. For discussion of factors that may cause actual results to differ from expectations, please refer to our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In particular, please refer to Item 1A. Risk Factors beginning on page 16 of the Comerica s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010, Item 1A. Risk Factors beginning on page 65 of Comerica s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2011, Item 1A. Risk Factors beginning on page 74 of Comerica s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2011 and Item 1A. Risk Factors beginning on page 81 of Comerica s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2011. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. Comerica does not undertake to update forward-looking statements to reflect facts, circumstances, assumptions or events that occur after the date the forward-looking statements are made. For any forward-looking statements made in this report or in any documents, Comerica claims the protection of the safe harbor for forward-looking statements contained in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated December 14, 2011

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

COMERICA INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Jon W. Bilstrom

Name: Jon W. Bilstrom

Title: Executive Vice President Governance, Regulatory
Relations and Legal Affairs, and Secretary

Date: December 14, 2011

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated December 14, 2011