SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT BANCORP INC Form 8-K January 08, 2009

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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): January 7, 2009

Southern Connecticut Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Connecticut 000-49784 06-1609692 (State or Other Jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Incorporation) No.)

215 Church Street New Haven, Connecticut (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

06510

(Zip Code)

(203) 782-1100 (Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area 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 (ee General Instruction A.2. below):

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

ITEM 8.01 Other Events

On January 7, 2009, Southern Connecticut Bancorp, Inc. issued a press release announcing that it has received preliminary approval of its application to participate in the Capital Purchase Program established by the United States Department of the Treasury under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act. Southern Connecticut Bancorp, Inc. received this approval from the Department of the Treasury on December 17, 2008. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 <u>Press release of Southern Connecticut</u>

Bancorp, Inc. issued January 7, 2009

SIGNATURES

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

SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT BANCORP,

INC.

Date: January 8, 2009

/s/John Howard Howland John Howard Howland

President and Chief Operating Officer

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