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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) April 3, 2006

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-51584 04-3510455
-----(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission (IRS Employer incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

24 North Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201
----(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (413) 443-5601

Not Applicable

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

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ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

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On April 3, 2006, Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company"), the holding company for Berkshire Bank, announced it expected to issue its first quarter earnings release on April 27, 2006. The Company will conduct a conference call at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time on April 28, 2006 to discuss the results for the quarter ended March 31, 2006. Instructions on how to access the call are contained in the press release, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired: Not applicable
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information: Not applicable
- (c) Shell Company Transactions: Not applicable
- (d) Exhibits

Number Description
----99.1 Press Release Dated April 3, 2006

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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.

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.

Dated: April 3, 2006 By:/s/ Wayne F. Patenaude

Wayne F. Patenaude Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer