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):	October 20, 2008	
(Exa	NORTHEAST BANCORP act Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter	r)
<u>Maine</u> State or Other Jurisdiction Incorporation)	<u>1-14588</u> (Commission File Number)	<u>01-0425066</u> (IRS Employer Identification Number)
500 Canal Street, Lewiston, Maine (Address of Principal Executive Offices)		04240 (Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code:	_	(207) 786-3245
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing provisions.	is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing o	obligation of the registrant under any of the follow

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12).
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)).
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240. Rule 13e-4(c)).

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c)Exhibits.

Exhibit No. **Description**

Press Release, dated October 20, 2008 regarding first quarter 2009 earnings and the declaration of a dividend. 99.1

Item 7.01 **Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On October 20, 2008, Northeast Bancorp, a Maine corporation (the "Company"), issued a press release announcing its earnings for the first quarter ended September 30, 2008 and declaring the payment of a dividend. The full text of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained herein, including the exhibit attached hereto, is furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of this Form 8-K and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. Further, the information in this report (including the exhibits hereto) are not to be incorporated by reference into any of the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, whether filed prior to or after the furnishing of these certificates, regardless of any general or specific incorporation language in such filing.

Item 2.02 Results of Information and Financial Condition.

The press release referred to under Item 7.01 above and filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto included disclosure regarding the earnings and financial results of Northeast Bancorp for the first quarter ended September 30, 2008 and declaration of a dividend. The full text of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information contained herein, including the exhibit attached hereto, is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 of this Form 8-K and shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section. Further, the information in this report (including the exhibits hereto) are not to be incorporated by reference into any of the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, whether filed prior to or after the furnishing of these certificates, regardless of any general or specific incorporation language in such filing.

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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.

Date: October 21, 2008

NORTHEAST BANCORP
By:/s/ James D. Delamater
James D. Delamater
President and Chief Executive Officer

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Northeast Bancorp Announces 1st Quarter Earnings and Approves 2009 Dividend Plan

Lewiston, MAINE (October 20, 2008) - - Northeast Bancorp (NASDAQ: NBN), the parent company of Northeast Bank (www.northeastbank.com), reported earnings for the quarter ended September 30, 2008 of \$69,116, or \$0.03 per diluted share, as compared to earnings for the same period last year of \$430,565, or \$0.18 per diluted share. The decline in earnings was the result of a higher provision for loan losses and one-time charges related to the realized losses and impairment expense of various common and preferred stock investments of \$391,000 that were negatively affected by recent market events. Excluding the impact of common and preferred stock realized losses and impairment expenses, earnings were \$324,500, or \$0.14 per diluted share, a 25% decline over the same quarter last year.

James Delamater, Northeast Bancorp President and CEO, commented: "As part of our ongoing comprehensive risk management program, we have scrubbed our portfolio and believe that we have properly identified any problem investments. After putting this one-time charge behind us, we intend to continue to develop our business plan of pursuing a high level of product and income diversity."

For the first quarter 2009, total net interest income and noninterest income increased by 18%, to \$6,601,854, up from \$5,582,221. Noninterest income levels increased to \$2,560,647 for the quarter ended September 30, 2008 as compared to \$1,989,374 for the same period in 2007, an increase of 29%, with insurance and investment revenues increasing by 75% and 6%, respectively. Net interest income increased 12% to \$4,401,207 primarily due to a 17 basis point increase in net interest margin to 2.92% as compared to the same period one year ago.

Mr. Delamater commented further; "Our strategy, calling for the full diversification of our revenue streams, continues to serve us well. Revenues from the operations of the Company's insurance and investment divisions exceeded our expectations this past quarter. We are encouraged as we continue to grow, improve our margins and focus on the right products and markets, especially as we are seeing substantial progress in the delivery of property & casualty insurance to our customers, the result of our aggressive agency acquisition strategy."

As of September 30, 2008, Northeast Bancorp had total assets of approximately \$605 million. Loans decreased \$12.5 million compared to September 30, 2007; primarily resulting from a \$9.1 million decrease in commercial loans. In addition, the allowance for loan losses as a percentage of total loans was 1.38% at September 30, 2008 as compared to 1.37% for the same period one year ago.

"Our risk management program, adopted some time ago, called for the full analysis and rating of our loan portfolio. Therefore, we believe that we have properly measured our credit risk and that our allowance for loan losses is adequate. We are pleased to see growth in mortgages and consumer loans, and anticipate an increase in fee income related to the origination and sale of mortgages into the secondary market as more customers return to 'community banks' where they will find a better understanding of the need for quality advice," said Delamater.

The Company continued to reduce its reliance on brokered deposits to fund asset growth, with brokered deposits declining by \$6.2 million since September 2007. Over the past year, deposits declined by \$4.4 million as the decline in brokered deposits was partially offset by an increase in core deposits, primarily money market accounts, of \$1.8 million.

"With the recent changes to the FDIC deposit insurance levels from \$100,000 to \$250,000, we're anticipating a further increase in core deposits as customers look for safe places to invest and save. We are taking this opportunity to bolster our liquidity levels so as to position the Company to take advantage of quality lending opportunities," noted Delamater.

In addition to announcing earnings, the Board of Directors declared a dividend of \$0.09 per share payable on November 21, 2008 to shareholders of record as of the close of business on October 31, 2008. The board approved a dividend payout plan of quarterly cash dividends at this level for fiscal year 2009; this plan is subject to exceeding the regulatory definition of well-capitalized.

"Community banks are vital to local economies and to helping families and businesses weather this current financial situation. Northeast Bancorp is fortunate to have investors and shareholders who have embraced our long-term strategy for product and income diversification and understand the importance of a more conservative approach to pricing and lending; a plan that the Board of Directors and Management executed three years ago. And, for that reason, we are pleased to continue to pay a quarterly dividend, as we have since our inception."

Northeast Bancorp common shares trade on the NASDAQ with approximately 2.3 million shares outstanding and, as of September 30, 2008, had a book value of \$17.80 per share, an increase from \$17.14 at the end of the same period last year.

"We have taken a number of steps to protect our investors, customers and other stakeholders from the risks impacting the financial services industry, including full product and income diversification, conservative lending and prudent oversight. We have a strong capital position, adequate liquidity, good products, growing revenues, strong risk management discipline and multiple revenue streams with a high level of product and income diversity. As a result, we believe the Company is in a solid position for continued growth," Delamater said.

Northeast Bancorp, headquartered at 500 Canal Street, Lewiston, ME 04240, is the holding company for the Maine-based Northeast Bank, founded in 1872. Northeast Bank, together with its wholly-owned subsidiary, Northeast Bank Insurance Group, Inc., operates 25 retail and insurance locations and derives its income from a combination of traditional banking services and non-traditional financial products and services including insurance and investments.

Management encourages present and prospective shareholders to contact President and CEO Jim Delamater directly to discuss the Company, its products and services, and ongoing efforts to develop shareholder value. He can be reached at jdelamater@northeastbank.com or toll free at 1-800-284-5989. Management also suggests that any person wishing to utilize the services of Northeast Bancorp or its subsidiaries or interested in learning more about the Company can access its web site at www.northeastbank.com.

This communication contains certain "forward-looking statements". Although the Company believes that these forward-looking statements are based on reasonable estimates and assumptions, they are not guarantees of future performance and are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties, and other factors. These statements speak only as of the date of this report and we do not undertake any obligation to update or revise any of these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this communication or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. For a more complete discussion of certain risks and uncertainties affecting the Company, please see "Item 1. Business-Forward-Looking Statements and Risk Factors" set forth in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended June 30, 2008.

Customer access to securities is provided through Commonwealth Financial Network, Member NASD/SIPC. Important information--Securities, annuities, and insurance products are not deposit products, not FDIC insured, are subject to investment risk, including the possible loss of principal, and are not an obligation of or guaranteed by the Bank.

NORTHEAST BANCORP

(Dollars in Thousands, Except Per Share and Shares Outstanding Data) (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,			%	
		2008		2007	Change
Selected financial information					
Income statement data:					
Interest income	\$	8,595	\$	8,957	-4%
Interest expense		4,554	_	5,364	-15%
Net interest income		4,041		3,593	12%
Provision for loan losses		521	_	190	174%
Net interest income afterprovision for loan losses		3,520		3,403	3%
Gain on sale of loans		111		153	-27%
Loss on securities sales		(108)		(6)	1700%
Investment brokerage income		421		398	6%
Insurance agency income		1,517		866	75%
Other noninterest income		620		578	7%
Noninterest Income		2,561		1,989	29%
Noninterest expense		6,089		4,842	26%
Operating (loss) income before income tax		(8)		550	-101%
Income tax (benefit) expense		(77)	_	119	-165%
Net income	<u>\$</u>	69	\$	431	-84%
Per share data:					
Basic earning per common share	\$	0.03	\$	0.18	-83%
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.03	\$	0.18	-83%
Weighted average shares outstanding:	Ψ	0.05	4	0.10	3370
Basic		2,315,443		2,415,952	-4%
Diluted		2,324,916		2,432,977	-4%
Book value per share	\$	17.80	\$	17.14	
Tangible book value per share	\$	12.36	\$	13.66	
Net interest margin		2.92%		2.75%	
Net interest spread		2.69%		2.42%	
Return on average assets (annualized)		0.05%		0.31%	
Return on equity (annualized)		0.68%		4.17%	
Tier I leverage ratio (Bank)		6.92%		8.11%	
Tier I risk-based capital ratio (Bank)		9.62%		10.84%	
Total risk-based capital ratio (Bank)		10.97%		12.09%	
Efficiency ratio		92% 6,561		87% 4.737	
Nonperforming loans Total nonperforming assets		7,040		4,737 4,737	
Nonperforming loans as a % of total loans		1.61%		1.12%	
Nonperforming assets as a % of total assets		1.16%		0.83%	
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September 30,		%		
2008	2007	Change		

Balance sheet highlights:

Available-for-sale securities, at fair value Loans held for sale Loans Allowance for loan losses Goodwill & intangibles Total assets	\$ 143,445 1,046 408,759 5,656 12,640 605,170	\$ 109,526 830 421,290 5,756 8,254 573,680	31% 26% -3% -2% 53% 5%
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Deposits:			
NOW and money market	69,696	63,597	10%
Savings	20,123	21,519	-6%
Certificates of deposits	216,291	222,478	-3%
Brokered time deposits	12,603	18,861	-33%
Noninterest-bearing deposits	37,879	34,558	10%
Total deposits	356,592	361,013	-1%
Borrowings	204,393	169,242	21%
Shareholders' equity	41,324	40,641	2%
Shares outstanding	2,321,182	2,371,332	-2%