

People's United Financial, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
December 26, 2007

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**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 26, 2007

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**People s United Financial, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**001-33326**  
(Commission File Number)

**20-8447891**  
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

**850 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**06604**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (203) 338-7171

**Not Applicable**

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

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  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On December 26, 2007, People's United Financial, Inc. ( "People's United" ) and Chittenden Corporation ( "Chittenden" ) issued a press release announcing the preliminary results of elections made by Chittenden stockholders as to the form of merger consideration to be received in the pending merger of Chittenden with and into People's United.

A copy of a press release announcing the preliminary results of the election process is being filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) The following Exhibit is filed herewith.

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
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| 99.1               | Press Release Preliminary Results of Elections regarding Merger Consideration<br>[signature appears on following page] |

**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.

People's United Financial, Inc.  
(Registrant)

Date: December 26, 2007

By: /s/ Eric J. Appellof  
(Signature)

Name: Eric J. Appellof

Title: Vice President and Assistant Secretary

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