PEOPLES BANCORP OF NORTH CAROLINA INC

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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): January 22, 2018

Peoples Bancorp of North Carolina, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

North Carolina (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

000-27205 56-2132396

(IRS

(Commission File No.) Employer

Identification

No.)

518 West C Street,

28658

Newton, North Carolina (Address of Principal

(Zip Code)

Executive Offices)

(828) 464-5620

(Registrant's Telephone Number,

Including Area Code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On January 22, 2018, Peoples Bancorp of North Carolina, Inc. issued a press release announcing fourth quarter and annual 2017 earnings results.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit (99)(a) and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

(99)(a) Press Release dated January 22, 2018

Disclosure about forward-looking statements

Statements made in this Form 8-K, other than those concerning historical information, should be considered forward-looking statements pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Private Securities Litigation Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties and are based on the beliefs and assumptions of management and on the information available to management at the time that this report was prepared. These statements can be identified by the use of words like "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," and "believe," variations of these words and other similar expressions. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements as a number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. Factors that might cause such a difference include, but are not limited to, changes in interest rate environment, management's business strategy, national, regional, and local market conditions and legislative and regulatory conditions.

The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly revise these forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances. Readers should also carefully review the risk factors described in other documents the Company files from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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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.

PEOPLES BANCORP OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

Date: January 22, 2018 By: /s/ A. Joseph Lampron, Jr.

A. Joseph Lampron, Jr. Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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