SVB FINANCIAL GROUP Form 8-K November 18, 2009

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): November 17, 2009

SVB Financial Group

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

000-15637 (Commission File Number)

91-1962278 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

of incorporation)

3003 Tasman Drive, Santa Clara, CA 95054-1191

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (408) 654-7400

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Item. 8.01 Other Events.

On November 17, 2009, SVB Financial Group (the Company) received a written inquiry from the San Francisco Office of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) in connection with possible insider trading in the Company s securities during the July 2009 time frame. The Company intends to fully comply with the SEC s inquiry and is in the process of gathering information to respond to it. The inquiry states that it should not be construed as an indication by the SEC or its staff that any violation of law has occurred, nor should it be considered a reflection upon any person, entity, or security.

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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.

Date: November 17, 2009 SVB FINANCIAL GROUP

By: /s/ MICHAEL DESCHENEAUX
Name: Michael Descheneaux
Title: Chief Financial Officer