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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): September 1, 2015

**E\*TRADE Financial Corporation** 

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-11921 94-2844166

(Commission File Number) (I.R.S.

Employer

(State or other jurisdiction Identification

of incorporation) No.)

1271 Avenue of the Americas, 14th Floor, New York, New York 10020

(Address of principal executive offices and Zip Code)

(646) 521-4300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

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## **Item 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

E\*TRADE Financial Corporation (the "Company") today announced that it has terminated \$4.4 billion of legacy wholesale funding obligations at its wholly owned subsidiary E\*TRADE Bank (the "Bank"). In connection with the transaction, the Company will record a pre-tax charge of approximately \$410 million in the third quarter of 2015. The Company has commensurately decreased the size of the Bank's balance sheet and utilized excess capital at the Bank, along with \$110 million of corporate cash contributed to the Bank in order to maintain its target capital levels at the Bank.

The Company may continue utilizing wholesale funding sources for short term liquidity and contingency funding requirements.

Additionally, the Company announced that the Bank received regulatory and Bank Board approval for, and completed the distribution of, a \$114 million dividend to the Company in August 2015. The Company also announced that it does not intend to seek a dividend from the Bank during the fourth quarter of 2015, but intends to resume Bank dividend requests in the first quarter of 2016.

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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.

Dated: September 8, 2015

E\*TRADE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Karl A. Roessner
Karl A. Roessner
Corporate Secretary