PLACER SIERRA BANCSHARES Form 8-K September 08, 2005

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 2, 2005

PLACER SIERRA BANCSHARES

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California (State or other jurisdiction

0-50652 (Commission File Number) 94-3411134 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

525 J Street,

Sacramento, California (Address of principal executive offices)

95814 (Zip Code)

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Registrant s telephone number, including area code (916) 554-4750

(Former name or former address, if changed since last re	port.)

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Section 1 Registrant s Business and Operations

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On September 2, 2005, the wholly-owned subsidiary of Placer Sierra Bancshares (NASDAQNMS: PLSB) (the Company), Placer Sierra Bank (the Bank) entered into an Information Technology Services Agreement (the New Agreement) with Fidelity Information Services, Inc (Fidelity) pursuant to which Fidelity will provide the Bank sitem and core processing services. The initial term of the New Agreement is for five years and its renewal term is for an additional five years.

Fidelity provides the Bank s current item and core processing services under an Agreement for Information Technology Services dated as of December 21, 2000, as amended from time to time and as partially assigned and assumed as of September 30, 2003 (the Prior Agreement) by and between the Bank and Fidelity Integrated Financial Solutions . The Bank and Fidelity amended the Prior Agreement on September 2, 2005 primarily to set new renewal and termination provisions and to provide that the Prior Agreement will terminate when the core processing services under the New Agreement begin.

Core processing services under the New Agreement will begin in August 2006 or on another date agreed to by the parties. Fidelity will provide core processing services under the Prior Agreement until the earlier of (a) the date core processing services begin under the New Agreement or (b) March 1, 2008. The services that begin immediately under the New Agreement are item processing services. Electronic statement and delivery services will begin before 2006 or on another date agreed to by the parties. If core processing services under the New Agreement never begin, Fidelity and the Bank agree that the Prior Agreement will be in effect through March 1, 2008 and will have a two-year renewal term.

The New Agreement will be filed as an exhibit to the Company s quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the third quarter.

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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.

Placer Sierra Bancshares

(Registrant)

Date September 7, 2005

/s/ Ronald W. Bachli

Ronald W. Bachli Chairman and Chief Executive Officer