

CITY NATIONAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
December 22, 2009

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 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) **December 18, 2009**

**City National Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**Delaware**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**1-10521**  
(Commission File Number)

**95-2568550**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**City National Plaza**  
**555 S. Flower Street, Los Angeles, California**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**90071**  
(Zip Code)

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(213) 673-7700

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

On December 18, 2009, the Company issued a press release announcing the Acquisition. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

On December 21, 2009, at 8:00 a.m. (Pacific Standard Time) the Company hosted a conference call to discuss the Acquisition. A copy of the investor presentation slides discussed during the call, which slides are also posted on the Company's website, are attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2, and are incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements And Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description of Exhibits</b>
2.1	Purchase and Assumption Agreement - Whole Bank - All Deposits, among the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Receiver of Imperial Capital Bank, La Jolla, California, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and City National Bank, dated as of December 18, 2009.
99.1	Press Release, dated December 18, 2009, announcing the Acquisition.
99.2	Investor slide presentation presented on December 21, 2009.

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.

CITY NATIONAL CORPORATION

December 22, 2009

/s/ Michael B. Cahill  
Michael B. Cahill  
Executive Vice President, Corporate Secretary and General Counsel  
(Authorized Officer)

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