EAGLE BANCORP INC Form 8-K February 02, 2010

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): February 2, 2010 (January 27, 2010)

Eagle Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-25923 (Commission file number)

52-2061461 (IRS Employer Number)

7815 Woodmont Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland 20814

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 301.986.1800

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

(e) On January 27, 2010, the Board of Directors of Eagle Bancorp, Inc. (the Company), upon the recommendation of the Compensation Committee, approved base salaries for calendar year 2010 for the Company s named executive officers and an annual director fee for the Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors, as set forth in the table below.

| | | Annual |
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| Name | Title | Amount |
| Martha Foulon-Tonat | EVP & Chief Lending Officer | \$ 255,000 |
| James H. Langmead | EVP and CFO | \$ 250,000 |
| Thomas D. Murphy | President Retail Banking | \$ 255,000 |
| Ronald D. Paul | President and CEO | \$ 542,000 |
| Susan G. Riel | SEVP & COO - EagleBank | \$ 305,000 |
| Robert P. Pincus | Vice Chairman | \$ 280,000 |

The most significant increase was for Mr. Paul. This increase primarily reflects the fact that Mr. Paul has not had any base salary increase since 2006, and an effort to make Mr. Paul s compensation at least comparable to the chief executives of the Company s peer banks and regional peers as the Company has increased in size over the past several years; many of these peers have not performed as well as the Company. This increase still leaves Mr. Paul at the 84th and 68th percentile of the peer banks and regional peers respectively. The next highest increase among named executive officers was for Ms. Riel, reflecting a substantial increase in her responsibilities following a reorganization of the Company s reporting structure. As a result of the significant increase in time devoted to the Bank, the payment made to Mr. Pincus was increased to \$280,000. All increases were made upon the recommendation of the Compensation Committee, which retained an independent compensation consultant.

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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.

EAGLE BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ Ronald D. Paul

Ronald D. Paul, President, Chief Executive Officer

Dated: February 2, 2010