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BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC

Form 8-K December 12, 2007

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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): December 10, 2007

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

24 North Street, Pittsfield, Massachusetts 01201
----(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (413) 443-5601

Not Applicable

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS;

APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF

CERTAIN OFFICERS.

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(b) On December 10, 2007, John J. Howard provided notice to Berkshire Bank that he would be resigning as Executive Vice President, Retail Banking of Berkshire Bank, effective on January 1, 2008. Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. will not incur any compensation charges related to his departure. Mr. Howard's responsibilities are expected to be assumed by existing Berkshire Bank management in the interim.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc.

Date: December 12, 2007 By: /s/ Michael P. Daly

Michael P. Daly

President and Chief Executive Officer