BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC Form 3 October 30, 2015 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Person <u>*</u> Gunsch Ta	-	orting	2. Date of Event RequiringStatement(Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC [BHLB]					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	10/22/2015	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
24 NORTH S	TREET								
	(Street)			(Check all applicable)			6. Individual or Joint/Group		
PITTSFIELD	9, MA (01201	Director10% O XOfficerOther (give title below) (specify below Executive Vice President			r ow)	Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned						
1.Title of Securi (Instr. 4)	ty		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Na Owne (Instr	*		
Common Sto	ck		2,991		D	Â			
Common Sto	ck		179		Ι	By 4	By 401(k)		
Common Sto	ck		2,841		Ι	By S	By Stock Award I (1)		
Common Sto	ck		2,332		Ι	By S	By Stock Award II (2)		
Common Sto	ck		5,934		Ι	By S	y Stock Award III (3)		
Common Sto	ck		1,587		Ι	By S	Stock Award IV (4)		
Common Stock			1,791		Ι	By S	Stock Award V (5)		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Gunsch Tami A. 24 NORTH STREET PITTSFIELD, MA 01201	Â	Â	Executive Vice President	Â			
Signatures							
/s/ Marc P. Levy, pursuant to pe attorney	ower of		10/30/2015				
** Signature of Reporting Perso	on		Date				

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2011 Equity Compensation Plan vest 50% in four equal annual installments commencing on July 1, 2013 with the remaining 50% vesting on July 1, 2016.
- (2) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2011 Equity Compensation Plan vest 50% in four equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2014 with the remaining 50% vesting on January 30, 2017.
- (3) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2011 Equity Compensation Plan vest 50% on October 1, 2016.
- (4) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2013 Equity Compensation Plan vest 50% in three equal annual installments commencing on July 1, 2015 with the remaining 50% vesting on July 1, 2017.
- (5) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2013 Equity Compensation Plan vest 50% in three equal annual installments commencing on April 1, 2016 with the remaining 50% vesting on April 1, 2018.

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