BROOKLINE BANCORP INC Form 8-K January 04, 2019

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): January 4, 2019

BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware0-2369504-3402944(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File No.)(I.R.S. employer Identification No.)

131 Clarendon Street, Boston Massachusetts02116(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

(617) 425-4600

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

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

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Other Events.

As previously disclosed, Brookline Bank, the wholly-owned subsidiary of Brookline Bancorp, Inc., held 84.07% of its subsidiary, Eastern Funding LLC ("Eastern Funding"). On January 4, 2019, Brookline Bank purchased the remaining 15.93% interest in Eastern Funding.

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, hereunto duly authorized.

BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.

Date: January 4, 2019 By:/s/ Michael W. McCurdy Chief Risk Officer, General Counsel and Secretary