E TRADE FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K May 03, 2010

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: April 29, 2010 (Date of earliest event reported)

E*TRADE Financial Corporation

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 1-11921 (Commission File Number)

94-2844166 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

135 East 57th Street, New York, New York 10022 (Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

(646) 521-4300 (Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code)

Not Applicable (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))

Item 8.01. Other Events

On April 29, 2010, E*TRADE Financial Corporation (the "Company") entered into an Underwriting Agreement (the "Underwriting Agreement") by and among the Company, Citadel Equity Fund Ltd. and Wingate Capital Ltd., as selling stockholders (the "Selling Stockholders"), and Merrill Lynch, Pierce Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Sandler O'Neill & Partners, L.P. and Citadel Securities LLC, as representatives of the underwriters named therein (the "Underwriters"), in connection with the offering by the Selling Stockholders of 172,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock (the "Offering"). Under the terms of the Underwriting Agreement, the Selling Stockholders have granted the Underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to 25,800,000 additional shares to cover overallotments, if any. The Company will not receive any proceeds from the Offering.

The Underwriting Agreement is filed as Exhibit 1.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01.

Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

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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.

E*TRADE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Date: May 3, 2010 By: /s/ Karl A. Roessner

Name: Karl A. Roessner Title: Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

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