Section 1: 8-K (8-K)

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 12, 2012

TCF FINANCIAL CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

200 Lake Street East, Mail Code EX0-03-A, Wayzata, Minnesota 55391-1693
(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

(952) 745-2760
(Registrant’s telephone number, including area code)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-10253
(Commission File Number)

41-1591444
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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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[ ] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

[ ] 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 December 12, 2012, TCF Financial Corporation (the “Company”) announced it has commenced an underwritten registered public offering of shares of Series B Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock. TCF intends to grant the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase additional shares of Series B Preferred Stock to cover over-allotments, if any. A copy of the Company’s press release containing such announcement is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by this reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

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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.

TCF FINANCIAL CORPORATION

/s/ William A. Cooper  
William A. Cooper,  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ Michael S. Jones  
Michael S. Jones, Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

/s/ Susan D. Bode  
Susan D. Bode, Senior Vice President and  
Chief Accounting Officer  
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: December 12, 2012

Section 2: EX-99.1 (EX-99.1)

NEWS RELEASE

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Exhibit 99.1
WAYZATA, MN, December 12, 2012 – TCF Financial Corporation (“TCF”) (NYSE:TCB) today announced that it has commenced an underwritten registered public offering of Series B Non-Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock (“Preferred Stock”). TCF intends to grant the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase additional shares to cover over-allotments, if any. Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and UBS Securities LLC are acting as joint book-running managers. RBC Capital Markets, LLC and Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated will serve as co-managers.

The shares will be offered pursuant to a prospectus supplement filed as part of a shelf registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form S-3.

TCF expects to use the net proceeds from the sale of the shares for general corporate purposes, which may include capital to support asset growth.

This announcement shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities, nor shall there be any offer or sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of such jurisdiction. The offering will be made only by means of a prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus, copies of which may be obtained from Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC at 180 Varick Street, New York, NY 10014, Attention: Prospectus Delivery Department, or by telephone at 1-866-718-1649 and from UBS Securities LLC at 299 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10171, Attention: Prospectus Specialist, or by telephone at 877-827-6444, ext. 561-3884.

About TCF Financial Corporation

TCF is a Wayzata, Minnesota-based national bank holding company with $17.9 billion in total assets at September 30, 2012. The company has nearly 430 branches in Minnesota, Illinois, Michigan, Colorado, Wisconsin, Indiana, Arizona and South Dakota, providing retail and commercial banking services. TCF, through its subsidiaries, also conducts commercial leasing and equipment finance business in all 50 states, commercial inventory finance business in the U.S. and Canada, and indirect auto finance business in 40 states.

Safe Harbor for Forward-Looking Information

This press release may contain projections and other “forward-looking” statements within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements deal with future results, plans or performance. We caution you that such statements are predictions and that actual events or results may differ materially. TCF’s expected financial results or other plans are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. Please see the forward-looking statement disclosure contained in the preliminary prospectus supplement relating to the Preferred Stock dated as of the date hereof for more information about risks and uncertainties. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made and TCF undertakes no duty to update the information.

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