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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) August 18, 2008 (August 15, 2008)

Park National Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio 1-13006 31-1179518

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

50 North Third Street, P.O. Box 3500, Newark, Ohio 43058-3500

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(740) 349-8451

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

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Item 8.01 Other Events

As previously reported, on July 30, 2007, Park National Corporation (Park) announced its intent to consolidate the banking operations of its eight subsidiary banks located in Ohio under one charter—that of The Park National Bank (PNB), which will remain a national bank. Each of (a) Century National Bank, a national bank headquartered in Zanesville, Ohio (CNB); (b) Second National Bank, a national bank headquartered in Greenville, Ohio (SNB); (c) The Richland Trust Company, an Ohio state-chartered bank headquartered in Mansfield, Ohio (RTC); (d) United Bank, N.A., a national bank headquartered in Bucyrus, Ohio (UB); (e) The First-Knox National Bank of Mount Vernon, a national bank headquartered in Mount Vernon, Ohio (FKNB); (f) The Security National Bank and Trust Co., a national bank headquartered in Springfield, Ohio (SEC); and (g) The Citizens National Bank of Urbana, a national bank headquartered in Urbana, Ohio (CIT) (collectively, the Merging Banks) is to merge with and into PNB, a national bank headquartered in Newark, Ohio. The mergers are to be consummated on a serial basis in such order and with such effective times as determined by each of the respective Merging Banks and PNB to be appropriate and in the best interest of their respective operations and approved by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (the OCC). On February 20, 2008, the OCC notified PNB that the OCC had approved the proposed mergers, providing the required regulatory approval.

The 12 Ohio-based community banking subsidiaries and divisions of Park s subsidiary banks are to merge into the one charter and become divisions of PNB. Following the consummation of the mergers, each community bank division is to retain its local leadership, local decision-making and unique local identity.

Effective as of the close of business on August 15, 2008, each of CNB and SNB merged with and into PNB and became a division of PNB. Park anticipates that the mergers of RTC, UB, FKNB, SEC and CIT with and into PNB will be completed by September 30, 2008.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

PARK NATIONAL CORPORATION

Dated: August 18, 2008 By: /s/ John W. Kozak John W. Kozak

Chief Financial Officer

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