

WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC  
Form 8-K  
April 21, 2009

**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) April 17, 2009

**Washington Federal, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Washington**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**0-25454**  
(Commission File Number)

**91-1661606**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**425 Pike Street, Seattle, Washington**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**98101**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (206) 624-7930

**Not Applicable**

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On April 17, 2009, Washington Federal, Inc. (the Company ) announced by press release its earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2009. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. A copy of the March 31, 2009 Fact Sheet which presents certain detailed financial information about the Company is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure**

A copy of the March 31, 2009 Fact Sheet which presents certain detailed financial information about the Company is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(a) Not applicable.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

(d) Exhibits:

99.1 Press release dated April 17, 2009.

99.2 Fact Sheet as of March 31 2009.

**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.

**WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC.**

Dated: April 21, 2009

By: /s/ Brent J. Beardall  
Brent J. Beardall

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer