

Synchrony Financial
Form 8-K
June 14, 2016

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
June 14, 2016
Date of Report
(Date of earliest event reported)

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

Delaware 001-36560 51-0483352
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer
of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

777 Long Ridge Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06902
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(203) 585-2400

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, 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)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

This report is being filed to disclose recent developments related to credit quality and reserves. While the loss rate in our portfolio is at historically low levels, we very recently finished our loss forecast, and we are now expecting a 20-30 basis point increase in our net charge-off rates as we look out over the next 12 months. As a result, starting in the second quarter of 2016, we expect higher reserve builds, with our allowance coverage ratio (allowance for loan losses as a percent of end of period loan receivables) likely to increase 20-30 basis points from the first quarter of 2016.

The information contained in this Item 7.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, except as shall be expressly stated by specific reference in such filing.

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.

SYNCHRONY FINANCIAL

Date: June 14, 2016 By: /s/ Jonathan Mothner
Name: Jonathan Mothner
Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary