

SOUTH STATE Corp  
Form 8-K  
April 25, 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

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): April 21, 2016

SOUTH STATE CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

|   |                             |                                      |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| South Carolina                                    | 001-12669                   | 57-0799315                           |
| (State or other jurisdiction of<br>incorporation) | (Commission File<br>Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |

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| 520 Gervais Street                       |            |
| Columbia, South Carolina                 | 29201      |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) |

(800) 277-2175

(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 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

On April 21, 2016, South State Corporation (the “Company”) held its Annual Meeting of Shareholders (the “Annual Meeting”) in Columbia, South Carolina. At the Annual Meeting, there were present in person or by proxy 20,756,912 shares of the Company’s common stock, representing 85.84% of the total outstanding eligible votes. At the Annual Meeting, the Company’s shareholders were asked to vote to (1) elect seven members of the Board of Directors, and (2) ratify the appointment of Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP as the Company’s independent registered public accountants for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016. The voting results for each proposal are as follows:

1) Approval of a proposal to elect the following individuals as directors of the Company for three-year terms:

Broker

| Nominees for Director   | Votes For  | Votes Withheld | Non Votes |
|-------------------------|------------|----------------|-----------|
| Jimmy E. Addison        | 17,359,204 | 104,024        | 3,293,684 |
| Robert H. Demere, Jr.   | 17,362,879 | 100,349        | 3,293,684 |
| Robert R. Horger        | 17,289,323 | 173,905        | 3,293,684 |
| Jamew W. Roquemore      | 17,315,571 | 147,657        | 3,293,684 |
| Richard W. Salmons, Jr. | 17,323,593 | 139,635        | 3,293,684 |
| B. Ed Shelley, Jr.      | 17,324,354 | 138,874        | 3,293,684 |
| John W. Williamson, III | 17,320,996 | 142,232        | 3,293,684 |

Each elected director received at least 99.0% of the voted shares in favor of their election (excludes Broker Non Votes).

The following individuals continue to serve as directors until our Annual Meeting in the year indicated:

Directors Whose Terms Will Expire in 2019

Jimmy E. Addison  
 Robert H. Demere, Jr.  
 Robert R. Horger  
 James W. Roquemore  
 Richard W. Salmons, Jr.  
 B. Ed Shelley, Jr.  
 John W. Williamson, III

Directors Whose Terms Will Expire in 2018

Herbert G. Gray  
 Cynthia A. Hartley

John C. Pollok  
Thomas E. Suggs  
Kevin P. Walker

Directors Whose Terms Will Expire in 2017

Luther J. Battiste, III  
Paula Harper Bethea  
M. Oswald Fogle  
Robert R. Hill, Jr.  
Thomas J. Johnson  
Ralph W. Norman, Jr.  
Alton C. Phillips

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2) Approval to ratify the appointment of Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP as the Company's independent registered public accountants for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016:

|                     | Votes      | % of Shares<br>Outstanding | % of Shares<br>Voted |        |   |
|---------------------|------------|----------------------------|----------------------|--------|---|
| Voting For          | 20,583,069 | 85.12                      | %                    | 99.16  | % |
| Voting Against      | 155,016    | 0.64                       | %                    | 0.75   | % |
| Abstain From Voting | 12,965     | 0.05                       | %                    | 0.06   | % |
| Uncast              | 5,862      | 0.02                       | %                    | 0.03   | % |
| Total               | 20,756,912 | 85.84                      | %                    | 100.00 | % |

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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.

SOUTH STATE CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: April 25, 2016 /s/ John C. Pollok  
John C. Pollok  
Senior Executive Vice President,  
Chief Financial Officer and  
Chief Operating Officer

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