

First Foundation Inc.  
Form 8-K  
August 03, 2015

**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 3, 2015**

**FIRST FOUNDATION INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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

**001-36461**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File Number)**

**20-8639702**  
**(IRS Employer**  
  
**Identification Number)**

**18101 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 700**  
**Irvine, CA 92612**  
**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

**92612**  
**(Zip Code)**

**(949) 202-4160**

**(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)**

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. 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 8.01 Other Events**

On August 3, 2015, First Foundation Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release announcing commencement of its initial public offering, on a firm commitment basis, of shares of its common stock having an aggregate offering price of \$100,000,000. The Company intends to grant the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase from the Company additional shares of common stock to cover over-allotments, if any. A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

More detailed information on the equity offering can be found in the preliminary prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus relating to the equity offering that were filed today with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated August 3, 2015

**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.

Date: August 3, 2015

FIRST FOUNDATION INC.

By: /s/ JOHN M. MICHEL  
Name: **John M. Michel**  
Title: **Executive Vice President and Chief**

**Financial Officer**

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

| Exhibit<br>Number | Description                        |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| 99.1              | Press Release dated August 3, 2015 |