

SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
July 13, 2006

**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): **July 10, 2006**

**Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc.**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)  
COMMISSION FILE NUMBER:

**Maryland**

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(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**17801 Georgia Avenue**

**Olney, MD 20832**

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(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

**301-774-6400**

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

Effective July 10, 2006, Frank L. Bentz, III, former Executive Vice President and Chief Information Officer of Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc. and Sandy Spring Bank, has resigned his position and accepted the position of Senior Vice President, Information Security Officer of Sandy Spring Bank.

**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.

Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc.

By:           /s/ Philip J. Mantua          

Name: Philip J. Mantua  
Title: EVP, Chief Financial Officer  
Date: Tuesday, July 11, 2006

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