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): May 3, 2019

Midland States Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Illinois (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-35272 (Commission File Number) **37-1233196** (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

1201 Network Centre Drive, Effingham, Illinois 62401

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(217) 342-7321

(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 intende	d to simultaneously	satisfy the filing of	obligation of the	registrant under a	ny of the foll	lowing
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or
Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2). Emerging growth company []
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or
revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. []

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On May 3, 2019, the Company announced that its Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.2425 per share of its common stock. The dividend is payable on or about May 20, 2019, to shareholders of record on May 13, 2019. A copy of the press release announcing the dividend is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release of Midland States Bancorp, Inc., dated May 3, 2019

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.

Midland States Bancorp, Inc.

Date: May 3, 2019

By: <u>/s/ Douglas J. Tucker</u>
Douglas J. Tucker
Senior Vice President and Corporate Counsel

Midland States Bancorp, Inc. Declares Quarterly Cash Dividend of \$0.2425 Per Share

EFFINGHAM, Ill., May 03, 2019 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Midland States Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: MSBI) announced today that its Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.2425 per share. The dividend is payable on or about May 20, 2019 to all shareholders of record as of the close of business on May 13, 2019.

About Midland States Bancorp, Inc.

Midland States Bancorp, Inc. is a community-based financial holding company headquartered in Effingham, Illinois, and is the sole shareholder of Midland States Bank. As of March 31, 2019, the Company had total assets of approximately \$5.64 billion and its Wealth Management Group had assets under administration of approximately \$3.10 billion. Midland provides a full range of commercial and consumer banking products and services, business equipment financing, merchant credit card services, trust and investment management, and insurance and financial planning services. In addition, multi-family and healthcare facility FHA financing is provided through Love Funding, Midland's non-bank subsidiary. For additional information, visit https://www.midlandsb.com/ or follow Midland on LinkedIn at https://www.linkedin.com/company/midland-states-bank.

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