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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 14, 2013

Virginia Commerce Bancorp, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation)

000-28635
(Commission File Number)

54-1964895
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

5350 Lee Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22207
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 703.534.0700

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

On January 14, 2013, Virginia Commerce Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing that the Company has initiated a formal review of strategic alternatives to enhance shareholder value, including a possible merger, sale or other form of business combination. The Company also announced that it has retained Sandler O’Neill + Partners, L.P. as financial advisors to advise the Board of Directors in its review. A copy of the Company’s press release is attached as Exhibit 99 to this Current Report and is incorporated by reference into this Item 7.01.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial statements of business acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro forma financial information. Not applicable.
- (c) Shell company transactions. Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

99 Press Release dated January 14, 2013

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.

VIRGINIA COMMERCE BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ Mark S. Merrill

Mark S. Merrill, Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer

Date: January 14, 2013

Exhibit Index

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99	Press Release dated January 14, 2013

Virginia Commerce Announces Review of Strategic Alternatives

ARLINGTON, Va.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--January 14, 2013--Virginia Commerce Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ: VCBI) (the "Company") today announced that its Board of Directors has initiated a formal review of strategic alternatives to enhance shareholder value, including a possible merger, sale or other form of business combination. The Company has retained Sandler O'Neill + Partners, L.P. as financial advisors to advise the Board of Directors in its review. The Company has not set a definitive timetable for completion of its evaluation and there can be no assurance that this process will lead to the pursuit, approval or completion of any transaction or other strategic initiative. The Company does not intend to disclose developments regarding this process unless and until its Board of Directors approves a specific transaction or otherwise concludes its review of strategic alternatives.

About Virginia Commerce Bancorp, Inc.

Virginia Commerce Bancorp, Inc. is the parent bank holding company for Virginia Commerce Bank (the "Bank"), a Virginia state chartered bank that commenced operations in May 1988. The Bank pursues a traditional community banking strategy, offering a full range of business and consumer banking services through twenty-eight branch offices, a residential mortgage office and a wealth management services office, principally to individuals and small-to-medium size businesses in Northern Virginia and the Metropolitan Washington, D.C. area.

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