

## Section 1: 8-K (8-K)

**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 18, 2017



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

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

**001-10253**  
(Commission File Number)

**41-1591444**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**200 Lake Street East, Mail Code EX0-03-A, Wayzata, Minnesota 55391-1693**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including Zip Code)

**(952) 745-2760**  
(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

- 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 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

As disclosed in the Proxy Statement for the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders for TCF Financial Corporation (“TCF”), in January 2017 the Independent Subcommittee of the Compensation, Nominating, and Corporate Governance Committee (the “Independent Subcommittee”) of TCF approved Management Incentive Plan (“MIP”) awards to certain executives of TCF, including each of TCF’s Named Executive Officers. The 2017 MIP awards are based on TCF’s 2017 return on average assets (“ROA”) and return on average tangible common equity (“ROTCE”).

On July 18, 2017, the Independent Subcommittee approved Amended and Restated 2017 Management Incentive Plan Awards (the “Amended MIP Awards”) for certain executives of TCF, including each of TCF’s Named Executive Officers. The Amended MIP Awards are subject to the same ROA and ROTCE performance criteria of the original MIP awards, and do not change the performance targets or payout amounts under the MIP awards in any way, but instead amend the MIP awards by replacing the cash incentive that would have been payable to the recipient with an award of performance-based restricted stock that will vest or be forfeited based on 2018 and 2019 financial performance of TCF. This subjects each of TCF’s Named Executive Officers to additional time and performance criteria that they were not subject to under the MIP, in addition to those performance criteria contained in the MIP.

Pursuant to the Amended MIP Awards, TCF will calculate the cash payments that would have been due to recipients under the MIP, and instead make an award of performance-based shares which will vest based on TCF’s 2018 and 2019 net income available to common stockholders. Each year’s performance will be measured independently, and in the event the specified performance is not achieved for a particular year, those shares will be forfeited, but will not affect the vesting or forfeiture of the other year.

The Independent Subcommittee believed that this action would further align the interests of management and the stockholders by replacing cash payments with stock awards that will vest only upon continued performance of TCF and continued employment of the Named Executive Officer.

The foregoing description of the Amended MIP Awards is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the form of Amended MIP Award which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
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10.1	Form of Amended and Restated 2017 Management Incentive Plan - Executive Award as executed by certain executives of TCF
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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, thereunto duly authorized.

### TCF FINANCIAL CORPORATION

/s/ Craig R. Dahl

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Craig R. Dahl,  
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ Brian W. Maass

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Brian W. Maass,  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

/s/ Susan D. Bode

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Susan D. Bode,  
Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer  
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: July 21, 2017

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## Section 2: EX-10.1 (EXHIBIT 10.1)

### Exhibit 10.1

#### TCF FINANCIAL CORPORATION AMENDED AND RESTATED 2017 MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN - EXECUTIVE AWARD

1. This TCF Financial Corporation Amended and Restated 2017 Management Incentive Plan - Executive (this "Award") is effective for the 2017 fiscal year of TCF Financial Corporation ("TCF"). This Award is granted under and subject to the terms and conditions of the TCF Financial 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "Incentive Plan").
2. The participant shall sign a copy of this Award to acknowledge the terms of this Award. Participants are those approved by the Compensation, Nominating, and Corporate Governance Committee (the "Committee") of the TCF Board of Directors.
3. The Award recipient is eligible to receive restricted stock, as further described below, the "Restricted Stock"), with a value not to exceed 200% of Target for each performance goal. Target for the Award recipient for each performance goal shall be [\_\_\_\_\_ %] of the aggregate base salary paid to the Award recipient for the calendar year 2017. Payments shall be made to the Award recipient as set forth below:
  - Relative Return on Tangible Common Equity ("ROTCE"): The participant will be eligible to receive Restricted Stock in an amount determined as follows:
    - 50% of Target if TCF's ROTCE for 2017 is at the 35<sup>th</sup> percentile of the 2017 Peer Group (as defined below); or

- 100% of Target if TCF's ROTCE for 2017 is at the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile of the 2017 Peer Group; or
  - 200% of Target if TCF's ROTCE for 2017 is at or above the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile of the 2017 Peer Group.
- Relative Return on Average Assets ("ROA"): The participant will be eligible to receive Restricted Stock in an amount determined as follows:
    - 50% of Target if TCF's ROA for 2017 is equal to 80% of the average ROA of the 2017 Peer Group for 2017; or
    - 100% of Target if TCF's ROA for 2017 is equal to the average ROA of the 2017 Peer Group for 2017; or
    - 200% of Target if TCF's ROA for 2017 is equal to or above 120% of the average ROA of the 2017 Peer Group for 2017.

For results in between any of the levels set forth for each goal above, the Restricted Stock award amount will be interpolated in a linear fashion between payout levels. For performance below the lowest performance levels set forth above, no payouts will be made. The Committee may adjust or modify the calculation of ROA and ROTCE based on any of the criteria specified in the definition of "Performance Goals" in the Incentive Plan. ROA and ROTCE will be calculated excluding extraordinary or non-recurring items as well as the results from any businesses newly acquired or commenced by TCF (or its subsidiaries) during fiscal 2017. The 2017 Peer Group will be determined in accordance with the description in TCF's proxy statement for the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, and will exclude any institutions which do not report results for the full 2017 year prior to February 15, 2018 or file an Annual Report on Form 10-K by March 1, 2018, unless sufficient information to calculate their ROA and ROTCE is otherwise publicly available by March 5, 2018.

4. The Committee may in its discretion, reduce or eliminate the amount of the Restricted Stock awarded pursuant to this Award for any reason, and all Awards shall be subject to the terms of the Incentive Plan. Among other things, participants will be assessed, and their Restricted Stock award may be reduced, based on their effectiveness in managing risk within their respective areas of accountability during the plan year. The risk management assessment will include review of relevant key risk indicators (KRIs) used in the TCF Enterprise Risk Management program. The Committee has authority to make interpretations under this Award and to approve all calculations made for this Award. Restricted Stock granted pursuant to this Award will be issued as soon as possible following certification of the results for TCF and the 2017 Peer Group by the Committee, but no later than March 15, 2018.

5. Restricted Stock issued under this award will be in the form of a performance-based stock grant, 50% of which will vest if TCF's net income available to common stockholders for 2018 exceeds \$100 million, and 50% of which will vest if TCF's net income available to common stockholders for 2019 exceeds \$100 million. Each goal shall be independent (i.e. if the 2018 goal is not achieved, the 2019 goal may still be achieved), and any shares which do not vest as provided in the last sentence will be immediately forfeited upon determination of TCF's results for the relevant performance period. For purposes of determining the number of shares awarded, the Restricted Stock shall be valued based on the average of the high and low closing price on the day on which results are certified and payouts are determined by the Committee. For purposes of the Restricted Stock, net income available to common stockholders shall exclude extraordinary nonrecurring items, and may further be modified at the discretion of the Committee to the fullest extent permitted by the Incentive Plan. The Restricted Stock shall be subject to all of the terms of the Incentive Plan and the Restricted Stock award form.

6. The Committee may amend this Award from time to time as it deems appropriate, except that any such amendment shall be in writing and signed by both TCF and the participant and no amendment may contravene requirements of the Incentive Plan. This Award shall not be construed as a contract of employment, nor shall it be considered a term of employment, nor as a binding contract to pay awards.

7. This Award is effective for service on or after January 1, 2017.

8. While the participant is actively employed with TCF or any of its subsidiaries, and, in the event of termination of employment by TCF or any of its subsidiaries or the participant for any reason for a period of one year after the participant's termination of employment, the participant agrees that, except with the prior written approval of the Committee, the participant will not offer to hire, entice away, or in any manner attempt to persuade any officer, employee, or agent of TCF or any of its subsidiaries to discontinue his or her relationship with TCF or any of its subsidiaries nor will the participant directly or indirectly solicit, divert, take away or attempt to solicit business of TCF or any of its subsidiaries as to which the participant has acquired any knowledge during the term of the participant's employment with TCF or any of its subsidiaries.

9. This Award shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Minnesota.

**Acknowledgement**

I have received, read, and acknowledge the terms of the foregoing Award and the Incentive Plan.

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Date

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Signature