



## **Kish Bank Applying to Convert to a PA State Bank Charter**

BELLEVILLE, PA – October 7, 2013 – Kish Bank, a subsidiary of Kish Bancorp, Inc., has filed an application to convert from a national bank charter to a Pennsylvania state bank charter.

As a national bank, Kish Bank's primary regulator is the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), headquartered in Washington, D.C. Following approval, Kish Bank's primary regulator will be the Pennsylvania Department of Banking and Securities (DOBS), with additional federal oversight provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

"We are seeking this change in keeping with our more than 100-year commitment to serving communities in central Pennsylvania," said William P. Hayes, Kish's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "We believe that having a primary regulator that is focused on the needs and challenges of Pennsylvanians and Pennsylvania banks is a better fit for Kish Bank."

Hayes also said that the Pennsylvania Department of Banking is well positioned to provide cost-effective guidance and oversight regarding the Bank's future objectives.

The conversion, which is subject to regulatory approval, is expected to be completed in late 2013. Hayes said the conversion to a state charter will not affect Kish Bank customers in any way. Depositors will continue to benefit from the full protection of the FDIC. As a bank holding company, Kish Bancorp will continue to be regulated by the Federal Reserve.

### ***About Kish Bancorp, Inc.***

*Kish Bancorp, Inc. is a diversified financial services corporation headquartered in Belleville, PA. Kish Bank, a subsidiary of Kish Bancorp, Inc., operates thirteen banking offices and financial centers in Centre, Huntingdon and Mifflin Counties. In addition to Kish Bank, other business units include: Kish Insurance, Kish Financial Solutions, and Kish Travel. For additional information, please visit Kish Bancorp, Inc. online at [www.kishbank.com](http://www.kishbank.com). KISB is the stock ticker symbol for Kish Bancorp, Inc.*