BANCORP RHODE ISLAND INC Form DFAN14A April 16, 2008

#### **SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. \_\_\_\_)

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- b Definitive Additional Materials
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#### BANCORP RHODE ISLAND, INC.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)
Financial Edge Fund, L.P.
PL Capital, LLC
Goodbody/PL Capital, LLC
Financial Edge-Strategic Fund, L.P.
PL Capital/Focused Fund, L.P.
Goodbody/PL Capital, L.P.
PL Capital Advisors, LLC
Richard J. Lashley
Daniel J. Mullane
John W. Palmer

(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement if other than the Registrant)

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Attached is a copy of a presentation that is to be made to certain investors of Bancorp Rhode Island, Inc. ("Bancorp Rhode Island") by the PL Capital Group. A copy of the presentation follows as part of this filing under Rule 14a-6 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

### **Important Information**

PL Capital Group has filed a definitive proxy statement and other proxy materials with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) in connection with the nomination of Daniel J. Mullane, Richard J. Lashley and John W. Palmer (the PL Capital Nominees) to serve as directors of Bancorp Rhode Island, Inc. The definitive proxy statement has been sent to shareholders of Bancorp Rhode Island seeking their support of the PL Capital Nominees at Bancorp Rhode Island s 2008 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Shareholders are urged to read the definitive proxy statement and proxy card because they contain important information about PL Capital Group, the PL Capital Nominees, Bancorp Rhode Island and related matters. Shareholders may obtain a free copy of the definitive proxy statement and other documents filed by PL Capital Group with the SEC at the SEC s web site at www.sec.gov. The definitive proxy statement and other related SEC documents filed by PL Capital Group with the SEC may also be obtained free of charge from PL Capital Group.

## **Participants in Solicitation**

PL Capital Group consists of the following persons who will be participants in the solicitation from Bancorp Rhode Island, Inc. s shareholders of proxies in favor of the PL Capital Nominees: PL Capital, LLC; Goodbody/PL Capital, LLC; Financial Edge Fund, L.P.; Financial Edge-Strategic Fund, L.P.; PL Capital/Focused Fund, L.P.; Goodbody/PL Capital, L.P.; PL Capital Advisors, LLC; Richard J. Lashley; John W. Palmer and Daniel J. Mullane. Such participants may have interests in the solicitation, including as a result of holding shares of Bancorp Rhode Island common stock. Information regarding the participants and their interests is contained in the definitive proxy statement filed by PL Capital Group with the SEC in connection with Bancorp Rhode Island s 2008 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

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