



**PART I — REGISTRANT INFORMATION**

**FIRST KEYSTONE CORPORATION**

Full Name of Registrant

Former Name if Applicable

**111 W. Front St.**

Address of Principal Executive Office

*(Street and Number)*

**Berwick, PA 18603**

City, State and Zip Code

**PART II — RULES 12b-25(b) AND (c)**

If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check box if appropriate)

- (a) The reason described in reasonable detail in Part III of this form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense;  
The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, Form 20-F, Form 11-K, Form N-SAR or Form N-CSR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar day following the
- (b) prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q or subject distribution report on Form 10-D, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date; and
- (c) The accountant's statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

**PART III — NARRATIVE**

State below in reasonable detail why Forms 10-K, 20-F, 11-K, 10-Q, 10-D, N-SAR, N-CSR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed within the prescribed time period. (Attach extra Sheets if Needed)

First Keystone Corporation, (the "Corporation") is unable to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 (and related XBRL documents) within the prescribed time period without unreasonable effort or expense as a result of the circumstances described below.

The Corporation has experienced a delay in completing its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 (the "Form 10-K"). The delay in filing the Form 10-K resulted from unanticipated delays in compiling certain necessary information to prepare and complete the formatting of the open international standard for digital business reporting, eXtensible Business Reporting Language ("XBRL"), for the filing of its form 10-K in a timely manner.

Notwithstanding the Corporation's inability to file its Annual Report on Form 10-K by March 16, 2017, the Corporation currently does not expect to report in its Annual Report on Form 10-K any material changes to its financial results from those previously reported in the press release for the Corporation's financial results for the quarter ended and year ended December 31, 2016.

**PART IV — OTHER INFORMATION**

- (1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification  
Diane C.A. Rosler 570 752-3671  
(Name) (Area Code) (Telephone Number)

- (2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s) been filed ? If answer is no, identify report(s).

Yes No

Is it anticipated that any significant change in results of operations from the corresponding period for the (3) last fiscal year will be reflected by the earnings statements to be included in the subject report or portion thereof?

Yes No

If so: attach an explanation of the anticipated change, both narratively and quantitatively, and, if appropriate, state the reasons why a reasonable estimate of the results cannot be made.

FIRST KEYSTONE CORPORATION

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date March 17, 2017 By/s/ Diane C.A. Rosler  
Chief Financial Officer