

FIFTH THIRD BANCORP
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 SULLIVAN ROBERT A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA

(Street)

CINCINNATI, OH 45263

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FIFTH THIRD BANCORP [FITB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

05/26/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Underlying Security
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr.)					
Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Contract <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	<u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	05/26/2005	J	<u>(1)(2)(3)</u>	1 <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	<u>(1)(2)(3)</u>	<u>(1)(2)(3)</u>	Common Stock	50,000	<u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SULLIVAN ROBERT A 38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA CINCINNATI, OH 45263			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

Paul L. Reynolds, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert A. Sullivan
Date: 05/27/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) On May 26, 2005 (the "Trade Date"), the reporting person, through a revocable trust (the "Trust") of which he is the grantor and trustee, entered into a prepaid variable forward contract ("PVF Agreement") with an unrelated third party (the "Buyer") relating to 50,000 shares of Common Stock. Under the PVF Agreement, the Trust has agreed to sell the shares in accordance with footnotes 2 and 3 below. The transaction will be settled in one tranche on May 30, 2008. The Trust will receive a prepayment from the Buyer in the amount of \$1,703,592 within 3 business days of the Trade Date. Such proceeds are to be used for tax planning and estate planning purposes.

(2) On the settlement date, the Trust, unless it has elected cash settlement as described in the following sentence, will deliver a number of shares of Common Stock. In lieu of delivering shares, the Trust may elect cash settlement. The number of shares to be delivered is determined as outlined in footnote 3 below.

(3) If the "Final Price" (a market-based price as determined under the terms of the PVF Agreement) is less or equal to the Floor Price, the Trust shall deliver 50,000 shares; if the Final Price is greater than the Floor Price but less than the Cap Price, the Trust shall deliver that number of shares equal to 50,000 multiplied by (x) the Floor Price, divided by (y) the Final Price, and if the Final Price is greater than or equal to the Cap Price, the Trust shall deliver that number of shares equal to 50,000 multiplied by (x) the sum of (i) the Floor Price (expressed as an amount) and (ii) the product of (a) one and (b) any amount by which the Final Price exceeds the Cap Price (expressed as an amount), divided by (y) the Final Price. This transaction has a Floor Price of \$43.02 and a Cap Price of \$55.926.

(4) A revocable Trust of which the reporting person is the grantor and trustee.

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