

FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC  
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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 \*  
**KENT S BELASCO**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500**  
 (Street)

**ITASCA, IL 60143**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC [FMBI]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/16/2008**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**EVP, Chief Information Officer**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/16/2008		F <sup>(1)</sup>	228 D \$ 25.11	3,581	D	By NQ Stock
Common Stock					26,572 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Option Gain Deferral Plan
Common Stock					4,986 <sup>(3)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup>	I	By Profit Sharing Plan Trust

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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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KENT S BELASCO ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500 ITASCA, IL 60143			EVP, Chief Information Officer	

## Signatures

By: Andrea L. Stangl,  
Attorney-in-fact

05/20/2008

\_\_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 16, 2007 the Issuer granted the reporting person 1,544 Restricted Stock Awards (RSAs) under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (Plan). On May 16, 2008, 772 shares of the originally granted RSAs vested, of which 228 shares were surrendered by the reporting person in order to satisfy tax withholding obligations. This form is being filed to reflect the surrender of such shares to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation.

(2) Between April 19, 2008 and May 20, 2008 the reporting person acquired 302 shares of First Midwest common stock pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Non-Qualified Gain Deferral Plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated April 19, 2008.

(3) Between April 19, 2008 and May 20, 2008 the reporting person acquired 21 shares of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. common stock under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Savings and Profit Sharing Plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated May

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14, 2008.

- (4) Between April 19, 2008 and May 20, 2008 the reporting person acquired 56 shares of First Midwest common stock pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Savings and Profit Sharing Plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated April 22, 2008.

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