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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

Form 8-K

Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): November 21, 2005 FIRST BANCORP. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

001-14793

(Commission File Number)

Puerto Rico (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 66-0561882 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1519 Ponce de Leon San Juan, Puerto Rico 00908-0146 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) (787) 729 8200 (Registrant s Telephone Number, including Area Code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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" Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17CFR240.14d-2(b))

" Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17CFR240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

(d) On November 21, 2005, Fernando Rodriguez Amaro was elected to First BanCorp s Board of Directors to serve until the 2006 annual meeting of the stockholders of the Company. Mr. Rodriguez Amaro will serve on the Board s Audit Committee.

A copy of the press release announcing Mr. Rodriguez Amaro s election is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

[Disclose relationships between Mr. Rodriguez Amaro and the Company.]

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.Description99.1Press Release dated November 28, 2005

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 28, 2005

FIRST BANCORP

By: /s/ Luis M. Cabrera Name: Luis M. Cabrera Title: Executive Vice President and Interim Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit No.Description99.1Press Release dated November 28, 2005