FIFTH THIRD BANCORP

Form 4

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KABAT KEVIN T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

FIFTH THIRD BANCORP [FITB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(First) 38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

12/28/2004

below) **Executive Vice President**

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

CINCINNATI, OH 45263

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	r. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock (1)	<u>(2)</u>	12/28/2004		A		557.3904		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	557.3904

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsnips							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
KABAT KEVIN T			Executive					
38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA			Vice					
CINCINNATI, OH 45263			President					

Signatures

Paul L. Reynolds, as Attorney-in-Fact for Kevin T.
Kabat
12/30/2004

**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) Acquired pursuant to The Fifth Third Bancorp Non Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) The units are to be settled in Fifth Third Bancorp common stock on a 1-for-1 basis after termination of employment.

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