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Form 8-K March 17, 2016

> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 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) March 17, 2016

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-10967 36-3161078 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

One Pierce Place, Suite 1500, Itasca, Illinois

(Address of principal executive offices) 60143 (Zip Code)

(630) 875-7450

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

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240.14d-2(b))	

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On March 17, 2016, First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. ("First Midwest" or the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it completed its previously announced acquisition of NI Bancshares Corporation ("NI Bancshares") and its wholly-owned subsidiary, The National Bank & Trust Company of Sycamore ("NB&T"), in accordance with an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") entered into on November 12, 2015. NI Bancshares has merged with and into the Company, and NB&T has merged with and into the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, First Midwest Bank, an Illinois state-chartered bank, with First Midwest Bank continuing as the surviving bank. The press release, dated March 17, 2016, is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference. Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release issued by First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. dated March 17, 2016.

SIGNATURES

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.

First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. (Registrant)

Date: March 17, 2016 /s/ NICHOLAS J. CHULOS

By: Nicholas J. Chulos

Executive Vice President, Corporate Secretary, and

General Counsel