GRIGGS MALCOLM D

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GRIGGS MALCOLM D		Sym	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIFTH THIRD BANCORP [FITB]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Middle) 3. D	ate of Earliest Tr	ansaction			(Circ	ck an applicable	<i>5)</i>	
` ′		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	nth/Day/Year)				Director	10%	6 Owner	
38 FOUNTA	AIN SQUARE P	*	23/2006				X_ Officer (gibelow)	ve title Oth below)	er (specify	
	(Street)	4. If	Amendment, Da	te Original			6. Individual or	Joint/Group Fili	ng(Check	
CINCINNA	l(Month/Day/Year)	onth/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Day (Month/Day/Year		Code	4. SecurionAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (D))	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock (1)	01/23/2006		A	7,983	A	<u>(2)</u>	7,983	D		

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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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	tioi	5. Number of Derivative Securities (Month/Day/Yea Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 37.58	01/23/2006		A		30,000		01/23/2010	01/23/2016	Common Stock	30,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GRIGGS MALCOLM D			EVP &					
38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA			Chief Risk					
CINCINNATI, OH 45263			Officer					

Signatures

Paul L. Reynolds, as Attorney-in-Fact for Malcolm D.

Griggs 01/25/2006

**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) Restricted stock granted pursuant to Fifth Third Bancorp Incentive Compensation Plan subject to vesting on January 23, 2010.
- (2) Issued pursuant to Fifth Third Bancorp Incentive Compensation Plan. No consideration paid.
- (3) Includes total number of Stock Appreciation Rights previously reported.

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