

FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANCSHARES INC
 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 *
 TAYLOR MICHAEL L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANCSHARES INC [FMBH.OB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 19 CAMBRIDGE DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/29/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

MATTOON, IL 61938

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/29/2008 | | P | V 0.105 A \$ 25 | 1,242.742 | I | By 401K |
| Common Stock | 03/12/2008 | | P | V 0.1 A \$ 25.1 | 1,242.842 | I | By 401K |
| Common Stock | 03/24/2008 | | P | V 5.583 A \$ 25.3 | 1,248.425 | I | By 401K |
| Common Stock | 05/09/2008 | | P | V 0.61 A \$ 26.06 | 1,249.035 | I | By 401K |
| Common Stock | 05/16/2008 | | P | V 4.151 A \$ 26.74 | 1,253.186 | I | By 401K |

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|--------------|------------|------------------|---|-------|---|----------|-----------|---|---------|
| Common Stock | 06/06/2008 | P | V | 0.734 | A | \$ 27.06 | 1,253.92 | I | By 401K |
| Common Stock | 06/13/2008 | P | V | 0.157 | A | \$ 27.68 | 1,254.077 | I | By 401K |
| Common Stock | 06/17/2008 | J ⁽¹⁾ | V | 9.235 | A | \$ 25.9 | 1,263.312 | I | By 401K |
| Common Stock | 06/27/2008 | P | V | 0.403 | A | \$ 27.75 | 1,263.715 | I | By 401K |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2008 | P | V | 4.007 | A | \$ 26.5 | 1,267.722 | I | By 401K |
| Common Stock | 08/13/2008 | P | V | 2.859 | A | \$ 24.45 | 1,270.581 | I | By 401K |

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 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. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TAYLOR MICHAEL L
19 CAMBRIDGE DRIVE
MATTOON, IL 61938

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Michael L.
Taylor

09/22/2008

__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) Shares acquired through the company's dividend reinvestment plan with dividends being paid on shares of common stock held.

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