FIFTH THIRD BANCORP

Form 4

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may continue.

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * POSTON DANIEL T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

FIFTH THIRD BANCORP [FITB]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year) 09/02/2005

below)

EVP & Auditor

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

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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)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

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

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

Owned

(Instr. 4)

(I)

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

4. 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 (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Derivative Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and Security 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount or Exercisable Date Number of Shares Phantom Common (2) (2) 13.6643 (2) 09/02/2005 Α 13.6643 Stock (1) Stock

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

POSTON DANIEL T 38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA CINCINNATI, OH 45263

EVP & Auditor

Date

Signatures

Paul L. Reynolds, as Attorney-in-Fact for Daniel T. Poston

09/06/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- 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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