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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Sander Mark G

FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC

(Check all applicable)

[FMBI]

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

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

(Month/Day/Year)

09/21/2012

Senior Executive VP & COO

ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500

(Middle)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

ITASCA, IL 60143

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

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

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A) or

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

85,843

Common Stock

09/21/2012

Code V Amount (D) A 379⁽¹⁾ A (2)

D

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)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sander Mark G ONE PIERCE PLACE SUITE 1500 ITASCA, IL 60143

Senior Executive VP & COO

Signatures

Andrea L. Stangl, Attorney-in-fact for Mark G. Sander

09/25/2012

**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) Represents payment under a salary stock agreement with the Reporting Person consisting of payment of bi-weekly installments of fully vested shares until December 2013.
- (2) The number of shares represented by this award was determined by dividing the dollar value of the award granted to the Reporting Person by \$12.91 (the closing price of the company's common stock as quoted on the Nasdaq Stock Market on September 20, 2012).

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