

FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC
 Form 4
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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 *
OMEARA JOHN M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC [FMBI]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/20/2008

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman & CEO

ITASCA, IL 60143
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | 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 Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. De... |
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------------|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|--|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Units (1) | (2) | 02/20/2008 | A | | 25,027 (3) | | (4) | (4) | Common Stock | 25,027 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| OMEARA JOHN M ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500 ITASCA, IL 60143 | X | | Chairman & CEO | |

Signatures

By: Andrea L. Stangl,
Attorney-in-fact

02/22/2008

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) Granted under the Amended and Restated First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Omnibus Stock and Incentive Plan.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock (or, upon the election of the reporting person, cash equal to the fair market value thereof) upon vesting.
- (3) The number of RSUs awarded to the reporting person was determined by dividing the sum of the total dollar value granted to the reporting person by \$28.10 (average of the highest and lowest prices of the Issuer's Common Stock as reported by Nasdaq on February 20, 2008).
- (4) The RSUs will vest in two equal installments, specifically on February 19, 2010 and February 18, 2011 respectively, however, each RSU will vest in full upon the reporting person's retirement from the Issuer.

Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24 Power of Attorney

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