

FIRST TRUST STRATEGIC HIGH INCOME FUND

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Â LYNCH COLEEN D
(Last) (First) (Middle)

FIRST TRUST ADVISORS
L.P.,Â 1001 WARRENVILLE
ROAD, SUITE 300
(Street)

LISLE,Â ILÂ 60532
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
07/29/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

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4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer ___ Other
(give title below) (specify below)
Assistant Vice President

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

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Shares	0	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LYNCH COLEEN D FIRST TRUST ADVISORS L.P. 1001 WARRENVILLE ROAD, SUITE 300 LISLE, IL 60532	Â	Â	Â Assistant Vice President	Â

Signatures

/s/ Coleen D.
Lynch

08/06/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

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