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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Sander Mark G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC [FMBI]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) ONE PIERCE	(First) PLACE, SU	(Middle) JITE 1500	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/07/2011	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Executive VP & COO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative Securi	ities Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities nAcquired (A) of	or	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	(Manual Buy, 1 cur)	any	Code Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)		Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	or Amount (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	10/07/2011		A	602 (1) A	<u>(2)</u>	40,848	D	
Common Stock	10/07/2011		A	598 (3) A	<u>(2)</u>	41,446	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)

1. Title of	f 2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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					(A) or						Repo
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						Exercisable	Date		Number		
				C-1- V	(A) (D)				of		
				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 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

10/11/2011

**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).
- Represents a portion of base salary paid to the Reporting Person in bi-weekly installments of fully vested shares. The Reporting Person (1) may not transfer the shares during the period the Company has any obligations outstanding under the U.S. Treasury's Troubled Asset Relief Program except in the case of the Reporting Person's death or disability.
- The number of shares represented by this award was determined by dividing the dollar value of the award granted to the Reporting Person (2) by \$8.19 (the average high and low sale price of one share of the company's common stock as quoted on the Nasdaq Stock Market on
- October 6, 2011).
- 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.

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