

FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Hotchkiss James P

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)
 03/15/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP and Treasurer

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

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

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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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/15/2016 | | A | 2,910 (1) \$ 0 | 62,591 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/15/2016 | | F | 302 (2) \$ 17.87 | 62,289 (3) | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 2,077 | I | By Profit Sharing Plan Trust |

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 (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | 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 |
| Hotchkiss James P ONE PIERCE PLACE SUITE 1500 ITASCA, IL 60143 | | | EVP and Treasurer | |

Signatures

Andrea L. Stangl, Attorney-in-fact for James P. Hotchkiss
Date: 03/17/2016

__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 performance shares earned by the Reporting Person on March 15, 2016. The performance shares were granted by the Issuer to the Reporting Person under the Amended and Restated First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Omnibus Stock and Incentive Plan on February 20, 2013, subject to a three year (2013-2015) performance period. Of the performance shares earned, 970 vested immediately and were paid in shares of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Common Stock. The remaining 1,940 earned performance shares represent the right to receive shares of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Common Stock upon satisfaction of a service-based vesting requirement and are scheduled to vest in two equal annual installments on March 15, 2017 and March 15, 2018.
- (1)
 - (2) Reflects the surrender of 302 shares of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Common Stock to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation in connection with the vesting of the first tranche of the earned performance shares described in note 1.
 - (3) 1,940 of these shares are restricted stock units / performance shares.

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