

FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC

Form 8-K

October 10, 2003

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) October 10, 2003

**First Midwest Bancorp, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

0-10967

36-3161078

(State or other jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

300 Park Boulevard, Suite 405, Itasca, Illinois

60143

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(630) 875-7450

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**N/A**

(Former name and address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure

On October 10, 2003, First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. issued a press release announcing investment grade ratings issued by Standard & Poor's Ratings Service. This press release, dated October 10, 2003, is attached as Exhibit 99 to this report.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

First Midwest Bancorp, Inc.  
(Registrant)

Date: October 10, 2003

/s/ STEVEN H. SHAPIRO  
Steven H. Shapiro  
Executive Vice President