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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
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.53	03/22/2010	A	7,774					12/31/2011 ⁽¹⁾	06/17/2018	Common Stock	7,774
Performance Units	⁽²⁾	03/22/2010	A	2,408					⁽²⁾	12/31/2011	Common Stock	2,408

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOLLERS ANNA G			EXECUTIVE VP/SECRETARY	

Signatures

/s/ Timothy S. Maples,
 Attorney-in-fact
 03/24/2010

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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On June 18, 2008 the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 23,322 shares of common stock. The option vests in three equal installments based on First Bancorp's satisfaction of certain performance criteria for each of the fiscal years ending December 31, 2008,

(1) 2009, and 2010. The performance criteria for 2009 were met, resulting in the vesting of the option as to 7,774 shares. The option will not become exercisable unless the reporting person remains employed with First Bancorp and otherwise eligible to exercise options on December 31, 2011.

(2) Each performance unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of First Bancorp common stock. The performance rights vest if the recipient remains employed with the Company and otherwise eligible to receive the shares on December 31, 2011.

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