

FIFTH THIRD BANCORP  
Form 8-K  
November 28, 2005

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

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

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 28, 2005**

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**FIFTH THIRD BANCORP**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Ohio**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**0-8076**  
(Commission File Number)

**Fifth Third Center**

**31-0854434**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**45263**

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**38 Fountain Square Plaza, Cincinnati, Ohio**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

**(513) 534-5300**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Not Applicable**

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

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- ..  Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

On November 28, 2005, Fifth Third Bancorp issued a press release announcing that Neal Arnold, Executive Vice President of Fifth Third Bancorp and Fifth Third Bank, resigned effective as of the same date.

A copy of the above-referenced press release is being filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 - Press release dated November 28, 2005.

**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 hereunto duly authorized.

**FIFTH THIRD BANCORP**  
(Registrant)

November 28, 2005

By: /S/ GEORGE A. SCHAEFER, JR.

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George A. Schaefer, Jr.  
President and Chief Executive Officer