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): March 31, 2005

FIFTH THIRD BANCORP

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$

Ohio

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-8076 (Commission File Number)

31-0854434 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

Fifth Third Center 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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Item	8.01	Other	Events
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On March 31, 2005 the Registrant issued the Press Release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release

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)

March 31, 2005 /s/ R. MARK GRAF

R. Mark Graf Senior Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer