

FIFTH THIRD BANCORP  
Form 8-K  
October 27, 2008

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

Washington, DC 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 26, 2008**

**FIFTH THIRD BANCORP**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**OHIO**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**001-33653**  
(Commission File Number)

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

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**Fifth Third Center**

**38 Fountain Square Plaza, Cincinnati, Ohio**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**45263**  
(Zip Code)

**(513) 534-5300**

**(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)**

**Not Applicable**

**(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)**

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure**

On October 26, 2008, Fifth Third Bancorp issued a press release discussing its plans to participate in the U.S. Treasury Capital Purchase Program. A copy of this press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The information in this press release shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated October 26, 2008

**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)

October 27, 2008

/s/ Daniel T. Poston  
Daniel T. Poston  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer