FIFTH THIRD BANCORP Form 8-K May 02, 2008

# 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): May 1, 2008

# 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**

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 address, if changed since last report)

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))

#### Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On May 2, 2008, Fifth Third Bancorp issued a press release announcing that Christopher G. Marshall resigned as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Fifth Third on May 1, 2008 effective as of April 30, 2008 and that Daniel T. Poston, Executive Vice President and Controller of Fifth Third Bancorp, would serve as the Chief Financial Officer of Fifth Third until a permanent successor for Mr. Marshall is named. Mr. Marshall s resignation does not impact or in any way relate to the financial statements or reporting of Fifth Third Bancorp or its subsidiaries. A copy of the above-referenced press release is being filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

In connection with this resignation, Fifth Third and Mr. Marshall entered into separation agreement. A copy of this agreement is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is fully incorporated herein by reference.

The Section titled EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE BANCORP of the Company s Annual Report on Form 10-K filed for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007 is hereby incorporated by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 10.1 - Separation Agreement between Fifth Third Bancorp and Christopher G. Marshall dated May 1, 2008

Exhibit 99.1 - Press release dated May 2, 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)

May 2, 2008 By: KEVIN T. KABAT Kevin T. Kabat

President and Chief Executive Officer