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1. Name and Address of Repor Arnold, Neal E. (Last) (First) (Middle) 38 Fountain Square Plaza	rting Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Fifth Third Bancorp FITB	 4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 12/27/2002 	to Issue _ Direct	(Check all applicable) ector _ 10% Owner cer (give title below) _ Other			
(Street) Cincinnati, OH 45263		3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)	Descript	,			
(City) (State) (Zip)				 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One 				
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	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Security Date (Instr. (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D)	In Be O	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		-	
					Code	v	Amount	A/D	Price	Trar	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(IN	nstr. 4)		
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									Shares		
Phantom Stock (1)	1-for-1	12/27/2002	n/a	Α	1,796.6997	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,796.6997	\$58.99	9,835.9989(3)

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Acquired pursuant to The Fifth Third Bancorp Non Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan.

(2) The units are to be settled in Fifth Third Bancorp common stock after termination of employment.

(3) Includes 117.4392 shares acquired throughout the year pursuant to dividend reinvestment.

By:

/s/ Paul L. Reynolds, Attorney-in-Fact

<u>12/30/2002</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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