

FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC

Form 8-K

June 28, 2007

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) **June 28, 2007**

**First Midwest Bancorp, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

0-10967

36-3161078

(State or other jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

One Pierce Place, Suite 1500, Itasca, Illinois

60143

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

(630) 875-7450

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

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

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On June 28, 2007, the Board of Directors of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") elected John F. Chlebowski, Jr. as a director of the Company, to hold office until the Company's next annual meeting of stockholders in 2008, when he is expected to be nominated for election to serve a three-year term.

Mr. Chlebowski (61), served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Lakeshore Operating Partners, LLC, a bulk liquid distribution firm, from March 2000 until his retirement in December 2004. From July 1999 until March 2000, Mr. Chlebowski was a senior executive and co-founder of Lakeshore Liquids Operating Partners, LLC, a private venture firm, and from January 1998 until July 1999, he was a private investor and consultant in bulk liquid distribution. Mr. Chlebowski served as President and Chief Executive Officer of GATX Terminals Corporation, a subsidiary of GATX Corporation, from 1994 until 1997. He also served as Chief Financial Officer and Vice President Finance of GATX Corporation, a specialized finance and leasing company, from 1986 until 1994 and Vice President Finance from 1984 until 1986. Mr. Chlebowski is also a director of NRG Energy, Inc. and Laidlaw International, Inc.

The Company's Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee recommended and nominated Mr. Chlebowski as a director candidate to the Board. The Company's Board of Directors has also concluded that Mr. Chlebowski is "independent" under the rules of The Nasdaq Stock Market.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

First Midwest Bancorp, Inc.  
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(Registrant)

Date: June 28, 2007

/s/ CYNTHIA A. LANCE  
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By: Cynthia A. Lance  
Executive Vice President and  
Corporate Secretary