FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORP Form NT 10-Q May 16, 2001

> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

> > FORM 12b-25

NOTIFICATION OF LATE FILING

Check One:

[] Form 10-K [] Form 20-F [] Form 11-K [x] Form 10-Q [] Form N-SAR For Period Ended: May 15, 2001 _____ [] Transition Report on Form 10-K [] Transition Report on Form 20-F [] Transition Report on Form 11-K [] Transition Report on Form 10-Q [] Transition Report on Form N-SAR For the Transition Period Ended: _____ If the notification relates to a portion of the filing checked above, identify the Item(s) to which the notification relates: _____ PART I -- REGISTRANT INFORMATION THE FIRST AMERICAN CORPORATION _____ Full Name of Registrant Not Applicable _____ Former Name if Applicable 1 First American Way _____ Address of Principal Executive Office (Street and Number) Santa Ana, California 92707-5913 _____ City, State and Zip Code PART II -- RULES 12b-25(b) AND (c) If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check box if appropriate)

[x] (a) The reasons described in reasonable detail in Part III of this

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form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense;

- [x] (b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, Form 20-F, 11-K or Form N-SAR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q, or portion thereof will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date; and
- [] (c) The accountant's statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

PART III -- NARRATIVE

State below in reasonable detail the reasons why Forms 10-K, 20-F, 11-K, 10-Q, N-SAR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed within the prescribed time period:

The Company needs additional time to finalize its financial statements in order to ensure accurate reporting of its financial condition and results of operations.

PART IV -- OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regard to this notification

Max Valdes	(714)	800-3000	
(Name)	(Area Code)	(Telephone Number)	

(2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s) been filed? If answer is no, identify report(s) [x] Yes [] No

(3) Is it anticipated that any significant change in results of operations from the corresponding period for the last fiscal year will be reflected by the earnings statements to be included in the subject report or portion thereof? [] Yes [x] No

THE FIRST AMERICAN CORPORATION

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date	May 15, 2001	Ву	/s/ Max Valdes	
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