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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **GARDING ED** Issuer Symbol FIRST INTERSTATE (Check all applicable) BANCSYSTEM INC [FIBK] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) PO BOX 30918 02/22/2011 Exec. Vice Pres. & COO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BILLINGS, MT 59116-0918 Person

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuri	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Stock			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4) 19,056	I	By 401(k) Plan
Class A Common Stock	02/22/2011		С	2,416	A	\$0	90,458	D	

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share
Class B Common Stock (1)	\$ 0	02/22/2011		С	2,	,416	03/05/2010(1)	12/31/2029(1)	Class A Common Stock	2,41

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GARDING ED

PO BOX 30918 Exec. Vice Pres. & COO

BILLINGS, MT 59116-0918

Signatures

/s/ TERRILL R. MOORE, Attorney in Fact for Reporting
Person 02/23/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

On March 5, 2010, the Company recapitalized its existing common stock. The recapitalization included, among other things, a redesignation of existing common stock as Class B common stock, a four-for-one split of Class B common stock, and the creation of a

(1) new class of common stock designated as Class A common stock, which is listed on the NASDAQ stock market under the symbol "FIBK". The Class B Common Stock is convertible at any time into Class A Common stock on a share for share basis at the descretion of the holder. The conversion feature of the Class B common stock does not expire.

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