

FIRST BANCTRUST CORP  
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549  
SCHEDULE 13E-3  
(Amendment No. 3)  
TRANSACTION STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 13 (e) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 AND RULE 13e-3 THEREUNDER  
RULE 13e-3  
TRANSACTION STATEMENT  
UNDER SECTION 13(e) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
First BancTrust Corporation  
(Name of the Issuer)  
First BancTrust Corporation  
FBT Merger Co.  
(Name of Person(s) Filing Statement)  
Common Stock  
(Title of Class of Securities)  
31868F 10 2  
(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)**

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authorized to receive  
notices and communications on behalf of the person(s)  
filing statement)**

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This statement is filed in connection with (check the appropriate box):

- a.  The filing of solicitation materials or an information statement subject to Regulation 14A, Regulation 14C or Rule 13e-3(c) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- b.  The filing of a registration statement under the Securities Act of 1933.
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Transaction valuation\*  
\$305,569

Amount of filing fee  
\$12.01

- \* For purposes of calculating the fee only. This amount assumes the acquisition of 27,779 shares of common stock of the subject company acquired in the merger for \$11.00 per share in cash (the Total Consideration ). Pursuant to Rule 0-11(b)(1), the amount required to be paid with the filing of this Schedule 13E-3 equals .0000393 of the Total Consideration.
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Amount Previously Paid: \$12.01

Filing Party: First BancTrust Corporation

Form or Registration No.: Preliminary Schedule 13E-3

Date Filed: June 9, 2008

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**TRANSACTION STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 13(e) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 AND RULE 13e-3 THEREUNDER  
INTRODUCTION**

This Amendment No. 3 to the Rule 13e-3 Transaction Statement on Schedule 13E-3 (the Schedule 13E-3 ) is being filed by First BancTrust Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the Company ) in connection with the merger (the Merger ) of FBT Merger Co., (a recently incorporated Delaware corporation formed solely for the purpose of effecting the Merger) with and into the Company, with the Company being the surviving corporation to the Merger. The Merger was effectuated on October 22, 2008 pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated effective as of April 21, 2008 between the Company and FBT Merger Co. (the Merger Agreement ).

The results of the 13e-3 Transaction are as follows:

1. A special meeting of stockholders of the Company was held on October 21, 2008. At such special meeting, the Merger Agreement and the related 13e-3 Transaction were approved by the requisite vote of the stockholders of the Company in accordance with the Delaware General Corporation Law and the Company s Certificate of Incorporation.
2. The 13e-3 Transaction occurred on October 22, 2008, upon the effectiveness of the filing of the Certificate of Merger with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware (the time the 13e-3 Transaction became effective is referred to as the Effective Time ). The Company was the surviving corporation in the 13e-3 Transaction.
3. As of the Effective Time, (i) each share of the Company s common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the Common Stock ), held of record by a stockholder who owned, as of the close of business on October 21, 2008, fewer than 250 shares of Common Stock was converted into the right to receive \$11.00 in cash from the Company; and (ii) each share of the Common Stock held of record by a stockholder who owned, as of such date, 250 or more shares of Common Stock was not affected by the Merger and remains outstanding.
4. On or around November 3, 2008, a Form 15 will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Company terminating the registration of the Common Stock under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

**SIGNATURE**

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: October 23, 2008

FIRST BANCTRUST CORPORATION

By: /s/ Terry J. Howard  
Terry J. Howard  
President and Chief Executive Officer

FBT MERGER CO.

By: /s/ Terry J. Howard  
Terry J. Howard  
President