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> UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 450 Fifth Street NW Washington, D.C. 29549

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Form 8-K

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 15, 2005

First Bancorp

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

North Carolina0-1557256-1421916(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)(Commission
File Number)(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

341 North Main Street, Troy, North Carolina 27371

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(910) 576-6171

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if changed since last report)

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Item 1.01 - Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

Effective February 15, 2005, the Registrant entered into a new Advances and Security Agreement with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta ("FHLB") that supercedes previous agreements. This agreement provides for the Registrant to be able to participate in the FHLB's credit programs. In order to borrow under the terms of this agreement, the Registrant must have sufficient levels of collateral acceptable to the FHLB, as defined in the FHLB's collateral policy. Any borrowings that the Registrant obtains from the FHLB are secured by the Registrant's capital stock held in the FHLB, cash balances held at the FHLB, and blanket liens on the Registrant's residential loan portfolio, commercial mortgage loan portfolio, multifamily mortgage loan portfolio and home equity loan portfolio. The amount of credit available to the Registrant under the agreement will vary from time to time depending on the amount of collateral that the Registrant has available to pledge to the FHLB. The aforementioned agreement is attached as Exhibit 99(a).

Item 9.01 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

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Exhibit 99(a) - Advances and Security Agreement

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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 Bancorp

February 22, 2005

By: /s/ James H. Garner James H. Garner President and Chief Executive Officer

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