

FIRST INTERSTATE BANCSYSTEM INC
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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 GARDING ED

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FIRST INTERSTATE
 BANCSYSTEM INC [N/A]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 04/03/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Exec. Vice Pres. & CCO

PO BOX 30918

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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BILLINGS, MT 59116-0918

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	04/03/2006		D	10,195 (1)	\$ 71 6,381	D	
Common Stock	04/03/2006		X	14,080	\$ 42 20,461	D	

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 42	04/03/2006		X	2,640	02/19/2002 03/15/2007	Common Stock	2,640
Stock Options	\$ 42	04/03/2006		X	2,640	02/19/2002 03/15/2008	Common Stock	2,640
Stock Options	\$ 42	04/03/2006		X	5,500	02/19/2002 03/15/2009	Common Stock	5,500
Stock Options	\$ 42	04/03/2006		X	3,300	02/19/2002 03/15/2010	Common Stock	3,300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GARDING ED PO BOX 30918 BILLINGS, MT 59116-0918			Exec. Vice Pres. & CCO	

Signatures

/s/: Terrill R. Moore, Attorney-in-Fact for Reporting Person 04/03/2006

__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).

(1) Includes 8,329 mature shares tendered in partial payment of option exercise price and 1,866 shares redeemed for payment of taxes.

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