WEST BANCORPORATION INC Form 8-K April 14, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

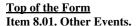
Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

April 14, 2005

West Bancorporation, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Iowa	0-49677	42-1230603
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
1601 22nd Street, West Des Moines, Iowa		50266
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		515-222-2300
	Not Applicable	
Former na	ame or former address, if changed since la	ast report
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The Registrant issued a press release on April 14, 2005 announcing the declaration of a regular quarterly cash dividend of \$.16 per common share and approval of an authorization to repurchase common stock in an amount up to \$5 million over the next 12 months.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99: Press Releaseof West Bancorporation, Inc. dated April 14, 2005.

The information contained in this filing may contain forward-looking statements about the Company's growth and acquisition strategies, new products and services, and future financial performance, including earnings and dividends per share, return on average assets, return on average equity, efficiency ratio and capital ratio. Certain statements in this filing constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such forward-looking information is based upon certain underlying assumptions, risks and uncertainties. Because of the possibility of change in the underlying assumptions, actual results could differ materially from these forward-looking statements. Risks and uncertainties that may affect future results include: interest rate risk, competitive pressures, pricing pressures on loans and deposits, actions of bank and non-bank competitors, changes in local and national economic conditions, changes in regulatory requirements, actions of the Securities and Exchange Commission and/or the Federal Reserve Board, and customer's acceptance of the Company's products and services. The Company undertakes no obligation to revise or update such statements to reflect current events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

West Bancorporation, Inc.

April 14, 2005 By: Douglas R. Gulling

Name: Douglas R. Gulling

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit Index

Exhibit No.	Description
99	Press Release of West Bancorporation dated April 14, 2005