US BANCORP \DE\ Form 8-K October 14, 2010

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):

U.S. Bancorp

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-6880

(Commission

File Number)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

800 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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 $[\] \ Pre-commencement \ communications \ pursuant \ to \ Rule \ 13e-4(c) \ under \ the \ Exchange \ Act \ (17 \ CFR \ 240.13e-4(c))$

41-0255900

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

55402

(Zip Code)

651-466-3000

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<u>Top of the Form</u> Item 5.04 Temporary Suspension of Trading Under Registrant's Employee Benefit Plans.

On October 14, 2010, U.S. Bancorp (the "Company") provided a notice to its executive officers and directors informing them of a blackout period for the Company's 401(k) Savings Plan (the "Plan") and the trading restrictions that apply to them during the blackout period. This notice was required pursuant to Section 306 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the Securities and Exchange Commission's Regulation BTR which prohibit trading in Company securities by executive officers and directors during blackout periods.

The blackout period is required to transition the Plan to a new investment fund structure. The blackout period will begin at 3:00 p.m. (Central time) on November 29, 2010 and will continue through December 12, 2010.

A copy of the notice to executive officers and directors is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit Description

99.1 Notice of Blackout Period to Executive Officers and Directors of U.S. Bancorp dated October 14, 2010.

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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.

U.S. Bancorp

October 14, 2010

By: Lee R. Mitau

Name: Lee R. Mitau Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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