US BANCORP \DE\ Form 8-K March 18, 2011

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: March 18, 2011 (Date of earliest event reported) U.S. BANCORP (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-6880 (Commission file number)

41-0255900

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

800 Nicollet Mall

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(651) 466-3000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 8.01 Other Matters.

On March 18, 2011, U.S. Bancorp announced that the board of directors had approved an increase in the dividend rate on U.S. Bancorp common stock to \$0.50 on an annualized basis, or \$0.125 on a quarterly basis. The quarterly common stock dividend of \$0.125 per common share is payable on April 15, 2011, to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 31, 2011. U.S. Bancorp also announced that the board of directors had approved an authorization to repurchase up to 50 million shares of its outstanding common stock. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated into this Item 8.01 by reference. **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release dated March 18, 2011

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SIGNATURE

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

By: /s/ Laura F. Bednarski Laura F. Bednarski Senior Vice President, Associate General Counsel and Assistant Corporate Secretary

Date: March 18, 2011

EXHIBIT INDEX

ExhibitNumberDescription99.1Press Release dated March 18, 2011

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(Month/Day/Year)7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
(Instr. 3 and 4)8. Price of Derivative Security
(Instr. 5)9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)
(Instr. 4)10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 4)11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 4)CodeV(A)(D)Date ExercisableExpiration DateTitleAmount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / AddressRelationshipDirector10% OwnerOfficerOtherWHITACRE EDWARD E JR
C/O EXXON MOBIL CORPORATION
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