

FIRST MERCHANTS CORP  
Form 8-K  
July 28, 2015

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 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): July 28, 2015

Commission File Number 0-17071

FIRST MERCHANTS CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

INDIANA  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

35-1544218  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

200 East Jackson Street  
P.O. Box 792  
Muncie, IN 47305-2814  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(765) 747-1500  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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



Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

Michael C. Rechin, the Corporation's President and Chief Executive Officer, and Mark K. Hardwick, the Corporation's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, are scheduled to meet with certain institutional investors at the Keefe, Bruyette & Woods 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Bank Investor Conference on Tuesday, July 28, 2015. Attached as Exhibit 99.1 is a slide presentation that will be utilized during these meetings.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) (99.1) Power Point Presentation to be utilized at July 28, 2015 Investor Conference.

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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.

First Merchants Corporation  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Mark K. Hardwick  
Mark K. Hardwick  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial and Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: July 27, 2015