FIRST PACTRUST BANCORP INC Form 8-K May 18, 2004

> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

May 17, 2004

FIRST PACTRUST BANCORP, INC. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Maryland603504-3639825(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)(Commission File No.)(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

610 Bay Boulevard, Chula Vista, California91910(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (619) 691-9741

 $$\rm N/A$$ (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12: Not Applicable.

Item 5. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure

The board of directors of First PacTrust Bancorp, Inc. has authorized management, in its discretion, to repurchase up to 5% of the Company's common stock from time to time over the next 12 months in the open market, in block trades or in privately negotiated sales. The repurchase program is effective immediately. Any repurchased shares will be held as treasury stock and will be available for general corporate purposes.

A copy of the related news release is filed as an exhibit to this

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report.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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99.1 The Company's news release announcing 5% stock repurchase program.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

FIRST PACTRUST BANCORP, INC.

Date: May 17, 2004

By: /s/ James P. Sheehy

James P. Sheehy

Executive Vice President

Secretary and Treasurer

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