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Item 8.01.                      Other Events.

First Merchants Corporation (the "Corporation") previously reported on a Form 8-K, dated November 1, 2011, that the Corporation had declared a cash dividend of \$0.01 per share. The cash dividend is payable on December 19, 2011 to stockholders of record as of December 5, 2011. The press release attached to the Form 8-K incorrectly referenced the ex-date for purposes of broker trading as December 2, 2011. The correct ex-date is December 1, 2011.

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.

DATE: November 2, 2011.

FIRST MERCHANTS CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Mark K. Hardwick

Executive Vice President and

Principal

Mark K. Hardwick,  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial and  
Accounting Officer)

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