FIRST BANCORP /PR/ Form 425 August 23, 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

August 23, 2010

Da	te of Report	(Date of Farlies)	t Event Reported):	

First BanCorp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Puerto Rico	001-14793	66-0561882	
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employe Identification No	
1519 Ponce de Leon Ave., PO Box 9146, San Juan, Puerto Rico		00908-0146	
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)	
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		787-729-8041	
	Not Applicable		
Former name or for	ormer address, if changed since la	st 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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					Events.

On August 23, 2010, First BanCorp announced the relevant price and exchange ratios for its preferred stock exchange offer. A copy of the related press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)Exhibits

Exhibit - Description of Exhibit

99.1 - Press Release dated August 23, 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.

First BanCorp.

August 23, 2010 By: /s/ Lawrence Odell

Name: Lawrence Odell

Title: Executive Vice President and General Counsel

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Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated August 23, 2010