

FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP /CA/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
POWERS WILLIAM T

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
 6110 EL TORDO, P.O. BOX 2388

 (Street)
 RANCHO SANTA FE, CA 92067

 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRST COMMUNITY BANCORP /CA/ [FCBP]

 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/06/2006

 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Pres Desert Region of Sub PWNB

 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/06/2006	03/08/2006	M	5,000 A \$ 0	84,958	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2006		F	1,788 D \$ 60.37 (1)	83,170	D	
Common Stock					2,000	I	By Spouse
Common Stock					500	I	By IRA
Common Stock					453.431 (2)	I	By 401(k) Plan

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Performance Stock	(3)	03/06/2006	03/08/2006	M	5,000	(4) 07/27/2010	Common Stock 5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
POWERS WILLIAM T 6110 EL TORDO P.O. BOX 2388 RANCHO SANTA FE, CA 92067			Pres Desert Region of Sub PWNB	

Signatures

/s/ William T.
Powers 03/10/2006
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Reflects market closing price on March 6, 2006.
- (2) Includes 1.881 shares of FCBP common stock acquired by the reporting person between February 16, 2006 and March 8, 2006 under the FCBP 401(k) plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of February 28, 2006.
- (3) Performance stock converts 1 for 1 into shares of Issuer common stock upon vesting.
- (4)

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The performance stock provides for vesting upon the Issuer achieving certain financial targets as set forth in an agreement with the Reporting Person.

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