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Common

Shares

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MATHIS KEN L Issuer Symbol FIRST TRUST STRATEGIC HIGH (Check all applicable) INCOME FUND [FHI] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner __X__ Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) VALHALLA CAPITAL 05/07/2009 Officer-Investment Sub-Advisor PARTNERS LLC, 13011 W. HIGHWAY 42, SUITE 201 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting PROSPECT, KY 40059 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(Instr. 3 and 4)

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2,230

(D)

Amount

13.225

Price

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

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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	Amount Underly Securiti	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MATHIS KEN L VALHALLA CAPITAL PARTNERS LLC 13011 W. HIGHWAY 42, SUITE 201 PROSPECT, KY 40059

Officer-Investment Sub-Advisor

Signatures

/s/ Ken L. Mathis, by W. Scott Jardine, attorney-in-fact, pursuant to a Power of Attorney

05/08/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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