

FIRST TRUST STRATEGIC HIGH INCOME FUND

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Â BROWN KATHLEEN
 WIELAND

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O FIRST TRUST ADVISORS
 L.P.,Â 1001 WARRENVILLE
 ROAD, SUITE 300

(Street)

LISLE,Â ILÂ 60532

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
 02/04/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

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4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 Officer-Investment Adviser

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Common Shares

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

0

3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

4. Conversion or Exercise

5. Ownership Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

