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## **UNITED STATES**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# **Schedule 14A**

(Rule 14a-101)

## **SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

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### Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. \_\_)

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**First Data Corporation** 

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Subject Company: First Data Corporation

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THIS FILING CONSISTS OF A NEWSBRIEF MADE AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES OF FIRST DATA CORPORATION.

#### Go-Shop Period Ends

As part of the proposed Merger Agreement with an affiliate of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts and Co. (KKR), First Data negotiated a 50-day Go-Shop period. During the Go-Shop period, First Data was permitted to solicit (or shop for ) competing proposals. As of May 22, 2007, the Go-Shop period has ended.

#### What This Means

First Data is now subject to the no-shop provisions of the merger agreement and cannot solicit any proposals, but can respond to certain unsolicited proposals.

#### What s Next

First Data and KKR will continue to work together to close the proposed Merger Agreement by the end of the third quarter. This includes a number of financial, legal and regulatory requirements.

We will continue to issue news briefs during this transitional period about milestones that have been achieved.

You can ask Ric Duques a question or send a comment about the First Data/KKR partnership through the ASK RIC portal on FirstWeb.

Please remember that First Data is still a public company and it s business as usual up until the time that the proposed Merger Agreement with KKR actually closes. It is imperative that all First Data employees continue to function and act in accordance with the governance of a public company as we have in the past.

#### Additional Information About the Merger and Where to Find It

In connection with this proposed transaction announced on April 2, 2007 with New Omaha Holdings, L.P., an affiliate of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts and Co., First Data Corporation (the Company) will file a proxy statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). STOCKHOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE PROXY STATEMENT FILED WITH THE SEC CAREFULLY AND IN ITS ENTIRETY WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE BECAUSE IT WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION. The final proxy statement will be mailed to the Company s stockholders. In addition, stockholders will be able to obtain the proxy statement and all other relevant documents filed by the Company with the SEC free of charge at the SEC s Web site www.sec.gov or from First Data Corporation, Investor Relations Department at 6200 S. Quebec Street, Suite 340, Greenwood Village, Colorado 80111, (303) 967-6756.

#### Participants in the Solicitation

First Data Corporation and its directors, executive officers and other members of management and employees may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the stockholders of the Company in connection with the proposed transaction. Information about the Company and its directors and executive officers, and their ownership of the Company s securities, is set forth in the proxy statement for the 2007 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company, which was filed with the SEC on April 17, 2007. Additional information regarding the interests of those persons may be obtained by reading the proxy statement when it becomes available.