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Form N-Q

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT  
INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-21586  
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First Trust Enhanced Equity Income Fund  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

120 East Liberty Drive, Suite 400  
Wheaton, IL 60187  
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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

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(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (630) 765-8000  
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Date of fiscal year end: December 31  
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Date of reporting period: March 31, 2011  
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Form N-Q is to be used by management investment companies, other than small business investment companies registered on Form N-5 (ss.ss. 239.24 and 274.5 of this chapter), to file reports with the Commission, not later than 60 days after the close of the first and third fiscal quarters, pursuant to rule 30b1-5 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30b1-5). The Commission may use the information provided on Form N-Q in its regulatory, disclosure review, inspection, and policymaking roles.

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ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS.

The Schedule(s) of Investments is attached herewith.

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FIRST TRUST ENHANCED EQUITY INCOME FUND  
 PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (a)  
 MARCH 31, 2011 (UNAUDITED)

SHARES	DESCRIPTION	VALUE
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COMMON STOCKS - 92.8%		
AEROSPACE & DEFENSE - 4.0%		
75,900	Honeywell International, Inc. ....	\$ 4,531,989
40,000	Raytheon Co. ....	2,034,800
50,000	United Technologies Corp. ....	4,232,500
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		10,799,289
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AIR FREIGHT & LOGISTICS - 1.4%		
50,000	United Parcel Service, Inc., Class B .....	3,716,000
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BEVERAGES - 4.7%		
80,000	Coca-Cola (The) Co. ....	5,308,000
30,000	Diageo PLC, ADR .....	2,286,600
80,000	PepsiCo, Inc. ....	5,152,800
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		12,747,400
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CAPITAL MARKETS - 6.4%		
26,300	Ameriprise Financial, Inc. ....	1,606,404
320,000	Apollo Investment Corp. ....	3,859,200
20,000	Bank of New York Mellon (The) Corp. ....	597,400
19,000	BlackRock, Inc. (b).....	3,819,190
80,000	Horizon Technology Finance Corp. ....	1,286,400
140,000	Invesco, Ltd. ....	3,578,400
110,000	Solar Capital, Ltd. ....	2,626,800
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		17,373,794
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CHEMICALS - 4.3%		
75,000	Dow Chemical (The) Co. ....	2,831,250
90,000	E.I. Du Pont de Nemours & Co. ....	4,947,300
41,000	PPG Industries, Inc. (c).....	3,903,610
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		11,682,160
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COMMERCIAL SERVICES & SUPPLIES - 0.8%		
55,000	Waste Management, Inc. ....	2,053,700
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COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT - 3.0%		
245,200	Cisco Systems, Inc. ....	4,205,180
70,000	QUALCOMM, Inc. ....	3,838,100
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		8,043,280
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COMPUTERS & PERIPHERALS - 2.0%		

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130,000	Hewlett-Packard Co. ....	5,326,100
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	DIVERSIFIED FINANCIAL SERVICES - 3.5%	
147,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co. ....	6,776,700
80,000	NYSE Euronext (c).....	2,813,600
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		9,590,300
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	DIVERSIFIED TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES - 3.2%	
62,100	AT&T, Inc. ....	1,900,260
210,005	Frontier Communications Corp. (c).....	1,726,241
130,000	Verizon Communications, Inc. ....	5,010,200
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		8,636,701
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SHARES	DESCRIPTION	VALUE
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COMMON STOCKS - (CONTINUED)		
	ELECTRIC UTILITIES - 1.4%	
100,000	Southern Co. ....	\$ 3,811,000
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	ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT - 1.5%	
69,100	Emerson Electric Co. ....	4,037,513
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	ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT, INSTRUMENTS & COMPONENTS - 0.5%	
40,000	TE Connectivity, Ltd. ....	1,392,800
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	FOOD PRODUCTS - 1.4%	
40,000	Kellogg Co. ....	2,159,200
50,000	Kraft Foods, Inc., Class A ....	1,568,000
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		3,727,200
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	HOTELS, RESTAURANTS & LEISURE - 2.8%	
65,000	Carnival Corp. ....	2,493,400
35,000	McDonald's Corp. ....	2,663,150
43,000	Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide, Inc. (c)	2,499,160
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		7,655,710
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	INDUSTRIAL CONGLOMERATES - 2.5%	
40,000	3M Co. ....	3,740,000

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150,000	General Electric Co. ....	3,007,500
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		6,747,500
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	INSURANCE - 3.9%	
120,000	Lincoln National Corp. ....	3,604,800
96,795	MetLife, Inc. ....	4,329,640
45,000	Prudential Financial, Inc. ....	2,771,100
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		10,705,540
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	IT SERVICES - 4.4%	
44,000	Accenture PLC ....	2,418,680
42,000	Automatic Data Processing, Inc. ....	2,155,020
45,000	International Business Machines Corp. ....	7,338,150
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		11,911,850
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	LEISURE EQUIPMENT & PRODUCTS - 1.0%	
110,000	Mattel, Inc. ....	2,742,300
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	LIFE SCIENCES TOOLS & SERVICES - 0.8%	
50,000	Agilent Technologies, Inc. (d).....	2,239,000
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	MACHINERY - 1.6%	
40,000	Caterpillar, Inc. (c).....	4,454,000
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	MARINE - 1.5%	
50,000	Nordic American Tanker Shipping Ltd. ....	1,242,000
150,000	Seaspan Corp. (c).....	2,917,500
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		4,159,500
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	MEDIA - 1.0%	
200,000	Regal Entertainment Group, Class A ....	2,700,000
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SHARES	DESCRIPTION	VALUE
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COMMON STOCKS - (CONTINUED)		
	MULTILINE RETAIL - 2.3%	
80,000	J.C. Penney Co., Inc. (c).....	\$ 2,872,800
70,000	Target Corp. ....	3,500,700
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		6,373,500
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	OIL, GAS & CONSUMABLE FUELS - 8.4%	
40,000	Chevron Corp. ....	4,297,200
120,000	Exxon Mobil Corp. ....	10,095,600
50,000	Kinder Morgan, Inc. (d).....	1,482,000
66,600	Occidental Petroleum Corp. ....	6,959,034
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		22,833,834
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	PAPER & FOREST PRODUCTS - 1.1%	
100,000	International Paper Co. ....	3,018,000
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	PERSONAL PRODUCTS - 1.2%	
120,000	Avon Products, Inc. ....	3,244,800
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	PHARMACEUTICALS - 6.9%	
260,000	Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. ....	6,871,800
63,000	Merck & Co., Inc. ....	2,079,630
50,000	Novartis AG, ADR ....	2,717,500
350,000	Pfizer, Inc. (c).....	7,108,500
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		18,777,430
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	REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS (REITS) - 1.4%	
103,400	Annaly Capital Management, Inc. (b).....	1,804,330
250,000	MFA Mortgage Investments, Inc. ....	2,050,000
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		3,854,330
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	SEMICONDUCTORS & SEMICONDUCTOR EQUIPMENT - 3.7%	
270,000	Intel Corp. ....	5,445,900
120,000	Microchip Technology, Inc. ....	4,561,200
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		10,007,100
		-----
	SOFTWARE - 2.6%	
100,000	Microsoft Corp. ....	2,536,000
140,000	Oracle Corp. ....	4,671,800
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		7,207,800
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	SPECIALTY RETAIL - 2.2%	
75,000	Home Depot (The), Inc. ....	2,779,500
100,000	Limited Brands, Inc. ....	3,288,000
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		6,067,500
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	THRIFTS & MORTGAGE FINANCE - 0.6%	
120,000	People's United Financial, Inc. ....	1,509,600
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	TOBACCO - 3.2%	
160,000	Altria Group, Inc. ....	4,164,800
70,000	Philip Morris International, Inc. ....	4,594,100
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		8,758,900
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SHARES/ UNITS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE
-----		
COMMON STOCKS - (CONTINUED)		
	WATER UTILITIES - 0.8%	
74,200	American Water Works Co., Inc. ....	\$ 2,081,310
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	WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES - 0.8%	
80,000	Vodafone Group PLC, ADR .....	2,300,000
		-----
	TOTAL COMMON STOCKS .....	252,286,741
	(Cost \$233,179,904)	-----
MASTER LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS - 4.7%		
	OIL, GAS & CONSUMABLE FUELS - 4.7%	
80,000	Copano Energy, LLC .....	2,848,000
90,000	Energy Transfer Partners, L.P. ....	4,658,400
40,000	Enterprise Products Partners, L.P. ....	1,722,400
60,000	Magellan Midstream Partners, L.P. ....	3,591,600
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	TOTAL MASTER LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS .....	12,820,400
	(Cost \$6,956,687)	-----
EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS - 2.5%		
	CAPITAL MARKETS - 2.5%	
264,200	SPDR KBW Bank ETF .....	6,821,644
		-----
	TOTAL EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS .....	6,821,644
	(Cost \$3,925,808)	-----
CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED SECURITIES - 0.2%		
	AUTOMOBILES - 0.2%	
10,000	General Motors Co., Ser B 4.75% .....	482,000
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	TOTAL CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED SECURITIES .....	482,000
	(Cost \$496,012)	-----

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TOTAL INVESTMENTS - 100.1% ..... 272,410,785  
 (Cost \$244,558,411) (e) -----

NUMBER OF CONTRACTS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE
CALL OPTIONS WRITTEN - (0.6%)		
	Annaly Capital Management, Inc. Call	
1,034	@ 18 due May 11 .....	(10,340)
	BlackRock, Inc. Call	
190	@ 210 due April 11 .....	(22,800)
	Caterpillar, Inc. Call	
200	@ 110 due April 11 .....	(60,000)

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NUMBER OF CONTRACTS	DESCRIPTION	VALUE
CALL OPTIONS WRITTEN - (CONTINUED)		
	Frontier Communications Corp. Call	
300	@ 8 due April 11 .....	\$ (9,000)
	J.C. Penney Co., Inc. Call	
400	@ 38 due April 11 .....	(10,000)
	NYSE Euronext Call	
400	@ 38 due April 11 .....	(6,400)
	Pfizer, Inc. Call	
1,000	@ 21 due April 11 .....	(10,000)
	PPG Industries, Inc. Call	
200	@ 90 due April 11 .....	(113,800)
	S&P 500 Index Calls	
700	@ 1335 due April 11 (f) .....	(784,000)
750	@ 1345 due April 11 (f) .....	(472,500)
		(1,256,500)
	Seaspan Corp. Call	
300	@ 20 due April 11 .....	(10,500)
	Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide, Inc. Call	
100	@ 60 due April 11 .....	(7,200)
	TOTAL CALL OPTIONS WRITTEN .....	(1,516,540)
	(Premiums received \$941,860)	-----

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NET OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - 0.4% .....	1,163,663
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NET ASSETS - 100.0% .....	\$ 272,057,908
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- (a) All percentages shown in the Portfolio of Investments are based on net assets.
  - (b) Call options were written on this entire common stock position and are fully covered by the common stock position.
  - (c) Call options were written on a portion of the common stock position and are fully covered by the common stock position.
  - (d) Non-income producing security.
  - (e) Aggregate cost for financial reporting purposes, which approximates the aggregate cost for federal income tax purposes. As of March 31, 2011, the aggregate gross unrealized appreciation for all securities in which there was an excess of value over tax cost was \$38,952,558 and the aggregate gross unrealized depreciation for all securities in which there was an excess of tax cost over value was \$11,100,184.
  - (f) Call options on securities indices were written on a portion of the common stock positions that were not used to cover call options on individual equity securities held in the Fund's portfolio.

ADR American Depositary Receipt

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VALUATION INPUTS

A summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of March 31, 2011 is as follows (see Note 1A - Portfolio Valuation in the Notes to Quarterly Portfolio of Investments):

ASSETS TABLE

	TOTAL VALUE AT 3/31/2011	LEVEL 1 QUOTED PRICES	LEVEL 2 SIGNIFICANT OBSERVABLE INPUTS
	-----	-----	-----
Common Stocks*.....	\$ 252,286,741	\$ 252,286,741	\$ ---
Master Limited Partnerships*.....	12,820,400	12,820,400	---
Exchange-Traded Funds*.....	6,821,644	6,821,644	---
Convertible Preferred Securities*.....	482,000	482,000	---
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TOTAL INVESTMENTS.....	\$	272,410,785	\$	272,410,785	\$	---
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LIABILITIES TABLE

	TOTAL VALUE AT 3/31/2011	LEVEL 1 QUOTED PRICES	LEVEL 2 SIGNIFICANT OBSERVABLE INPUTS
	-----	-----	-----
Call Options Written.....	\$ (1,516,540)	\$ (1,516,540)	\$ ---
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\*See the Portfolio of Investments for industry breakdown.

See Notes to Quarterly Portfolio of Investments

NOTES TO QUARTERLY PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

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1. VALUATION AND INVESTMENT PRACTICES

A. PORTFOLIO VALUATION:

The net asset value ("NAV") of the Common Shares of the First Trust Enhanced Equity Income Fund (the "Fund") is determined daily as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), normally 4:00 p.m. Eastern time, on each day the NYSE is open for trading. If the NYSE closes early on a valuation day, the NAV is determined as of that time. Domestic debt securities and foreign securities are priced using data reflecting the earlier closing of the principal markets for those securities. The NAV per Common Share is calculated by dividing the value of all assets of the Fund (including accrued interest and dividends), less all liabilities (including accrued expenses, the value of call options written (sold) and dividends declared but unpaid) by the total number of Common Shares outstanding.

The Fund's investments are valued daily in accordance with valuation procedures adopted by the Fund's Board of Trustees, and in accordance with provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). The following securities, for which accurate and reliable market quotations are readily available, will be valued as follows:

Common stocks, MLPs, exchanged-traded funds and other securities listed on any national or foreign exchange (excluding the NASDAQ National Market ("NASDAQ") and the London Stock Exchange Alternative Investment Market ("AIM")) are valued at the last sale price on the exchange on which they are principally traded. If there are no transactions on the valuation day,

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the securities are valued at the mean between the most recent bid and asked prices.

Securities listed on the NASDAQ or the AIM are valued at the official closing price. If there is no official closing price on the valuation day, the securities are valued at the mean between the most recent bid and asked prices.

Securities traded in the over-the-counter market are valued at their closing bid prices.

Exchange-traded options and futures contracts are valued at the closing price in the market where such contracts are principally traded. If no closing price is available, exchange-traded options and futures contracts are valued at the mean between the most recent bid and asked prices. Over-the-counter options and futures contracts are valued at their closing bid prices.

All market quotations used in valuing the Fund's securities will be obtained from a third party pricing service. If no quotation is received from a pricing service, attempts will be made to obtain one or more broker quotes for the security. In the event the pricing service does not provide a valuation, broker quotations are not readily available, or the valuations received are deemed unreliable, the Fund's Board of Trustees has designated First Trust Advisors L.P. ("First Trust") to use a fair value method to value the Fund's securities. Additionally, if events occur after the close of the principal markets for certain securities (e.g., domestic debt and foreign securities) that could materially affect the Fund's NAV, First Trust will use a fair value method to value the Fund's securities. The use of fair value pricing is governed by valuation procedures adopted by the Fund's Board of Trustees, and in accordance with the provisions of the 1940 Act. As a general principle, the fair value of a security is the amount which the Fund might reasonably expect to receive for the security upon its current sale. However, in light of the judgment involved in fair valuations, there can be no assurance that a fair value assigned to a particular security will be the amount which the Fund might be able to receive upon its current sale. Fair valuation of a security will be based on the consideration of all available information, including, but not limited to the following:

- 1) the type of security;
- 2) the size of the holding;
- 3) the initial cost of the security;
- 4) transactions in comparable securities;
- 5) price quotes from dealers and/or pricing services;
- 6) relationships among various securities;
- 7) information obtained by contacting the issuer, analysts, or the appropriate stock exchange;
- 8) an analysis of the issuer's financial statements; and
- 9) the existence of merger proposals or tender offers that might affect the value of the security.

If the securities in question are foreign securities, the following additional information may be considered:

- 1) the value of similar foreign securities traded on other foreign markets;
- 2) ADR trading of similar securities;
- 3) closed-end fund trading of similar securities;
- 4) foreign currency exchange activity;
- 5) the trading prices of financial products that are tied to baskets of foreign securities;
- 6) factors relating to the event that precipitated the pricing problem;

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- 7) whether the event is likely to recur; and 8) whether the effects of the event are isolated or whether they affect entire markets, countries or regions.

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Short-term investments that mature in less than 60 days when purchased are valued at amortized cost.

The Fund is subject to fair value accounting standards that define fair value, establish the framework for measuring fair value and provide a three-level hierarchy for fair valuation based upon the inputs to the valuation as of the measurement date. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- o Level 1 - Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical securities. An active market is a market in which transactions for the security occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.
- o Level 2 - Level 2 inputs are observable inputs, either directly or indirectly, and include the following:
  - o Quoted prices for similar securities in active markets.
  - o Quoted prices for identical or similar securities in markets that are non-active. A non-active market is a market where there are few transactions for the security, the prices are not current, or price quotations vary substantially either over time or among market makers, or in which little information is released publicly.
  - o Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the security (for example, interest rates and yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals, volatilities, prepayment speeds, loss severities, credit risks, and default rates).
  - o Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.
- o Level 3 - Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs. Unobservable inputs may reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the security.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. A summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of March 31, 2011, is included with the Fund's Portfolio of Investments.

#### B. OPTION CONTRACTS:

The Fund may write (sell) covered call options ("options") on all or a portion of the equity securities held in the Fund's portfolio and on securities indices as determined to be appropriate by Chartwell Investment Partners, L.P. ("Chartwell" or the "Sub-Advisor"), consistent with the Fund's investment objective. The number of options the Fund can write (sell) is limited by the amount of equity securities the Fund holds in its portfolio. Options on

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securities indices are designed to reflect price fluctuations in a group of securities or segment of the securities market rather than price fluctuations in a single security and are similar to options on single securities, except that the exercise of securities index options requires cash settlement payments and does not involve the actual purchase or sale of securities. The Fund will not write (sell) "naked" or uncovered options. If certain equity securities held in the Fund's portfolio are not covered by a related call option on the individual equity security, securities index options may be written on all or a portion of such uncovered securities. By writing (selling) options, the Fund seeks to generate additional income, in the form of premiums received, for writing (selling) the options, and to provide a partial hedge against a market decline in the underlying equity security. When the Fund writes (sells) an option, an amount equal to the premium received by the Fund is included in "Options written, at value" on the Fund's Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Options are marked-to-market daily and their value will be affected by changes in the value and dividend rates of the underlying equity securities, changes in interest rates, changes in the actual or perceived volatility of the securities markets and the underlying equity securities and the remaining time to the options' expiration. The value of options may also be adversely affected if the market for the options becomes less liquid or trading volume diminishes.

Options the Fund writes (sells) will either be exercised, expire or be cancelled pursuant to a closing transaction. If the price of the underlying equity security exceeds the option's exercise price, it is likely that the option holder will exercise the option. If an option written (sold) by the Fund is exercised, the Fund would be obligated to deliver the underlying equity security to the option holder upon payment of the strike price. In this case, the option premium received by the Fund will be added to the amount realized on the sale of the underlying security for purposes of determining gain or loss. If the price of the underlying equity security is less than the option's strike price, the option will likely expire without being exercised. The option premium received by the Fund will, in this case, be treated as short-term capital gain on the expiration date of the option. The Fund may also elect to close out its position in an option prior to its expiration by purchasing an option of the same series as the option written (sold) by the Fund.

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The options that the Fund writes (sells) give the option holder the right, but not the obligation, to purchase a security from the Fund at the strike price on or prior to the option's expiration date. The ability to successfully implement the writing (selling) of covered call options depends on the ability of the Sub-Advisor to predict pertinent market movements, which cannot be assured. Thus, the use of options may require the Fund to sell portfolio securities at inopportune times or for prices other than current market value, which may limit the amount of appreciation the Fund can realize on an investment, or may cause the Fund to hold a security that it might otherwise sell. As the writer (seller) of a covered option, the Fund foregoes, during the option's life, the opportunity to profit from increases in the market value of the security covering the option above the sum of the premium and the strike price of the option, but has retained the risk of loss should the price of the underlying security decline. The writer (seller) of an option has no control over the time when it may be required to fulfill its obligation as a writer (seller) of the option. Once an option writer (seller) has received an exercise notice, it cannot effect a closing purchase transaction in order to terminate its

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obligation under the option and must deliver the underlying security to the option holder at the exercise price.

The Fund is subject to equity price risk in the normal course of pursuing its investment objective. Over-the-counter ("OTC") options have the risk of the potential inability of counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts. The Fund's maximum equity price risk for purchased options is limited to the premium initially paid. In addition, certain risks may arise upon entering into option contracts including the risk that an illiquid secondary market will limit the Fund's ability to close out an option contract prior to the expiration date and that a change in the value of the option contract may not correlate exactly with changes in the value of the securities hedged.

### C. SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS:

Securities transactions are recorded as of the trade date. Realized gains and losses from securities transactions are recorded on the identified cost basis.

The Fund may hold publicly-traded master limited partnerships ("MLPs") and real estate investment trusts ("REITs"). Distributions from such investments may include a return of capital component from the MLP or REIT to the extent of the cost basis of such MLP or REIT investments. The actual character of amounts received during the year is not known until after the fiscal year end. The Fund records the character of distributions received from the MLPs or REITs during the year based on estimates available. The Fund's characterization may be subsequently revised based on information received from the MLPs or REITs after their tax reporting periods conclude.

### 2. OPTION ACTIVITY

Written option activity for the Fund for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 was as follows:

WRITTEN OPTIONS	NUMBER OF CONTRACTS	PREMIUMS
Options outstanding at December 31, 2010...	6,463	\$ 1,054,558
Options Written.....	37,684	4,281,385
Options Expired.....	(19,796)	(1,565,140)
Options Exercised.....	(1,800)	(97,338)
Options Closed.....	(16,977)	(2,731,605)
Options outstanding at March 31, 2011.....	5,574	\$ 941,860
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### ITEM 2. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

(a) The registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act") (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of the report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on their evaluation of these controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rules 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).

(b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial

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reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d)) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 3. EXHIBITS.

Certifications pursuant to Rule 30a-2(a) under the 1940 Act and Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 are attached hereto.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

(Registrant) First Trust Enhanced Equity Income Fund  
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By (Signature and Title)\* /s/ James A. Bowen  
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James A. Bowen, Chairman of the Board,  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
(principal executive officer)

Date: May 26, 2011  
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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By (Signature and Title)\* /s/ James A. Bowen  
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James A. Bowen, Chairman of the Board,  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
(principal executive officer)

Date: May 26, 2011  
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By (Signature and Title)\* /s/ Mark R. Bradley  
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Mark R. Bradley, Treasurer,  
Chief Financial Officer and  
Chief Accounting Officer  
(principal financial officer)

Date: May 26, 2011  
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\* Print the name and title of each signing officer under his or her signature.