

NBT BANCORP INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
FORSYTHE DARYL R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

52 SOUTH BROAD STREET

(Street)

NORWICH, NY 13815

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NBT BANCORP INC [NBTB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
01/02/2008

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)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 01/02/2008 | | S | 786 | D \$ 22.227 | 124,473.302 | D |
| NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | | | | | | 1,063.284 | I 401k |
| NBT Bancorp | | | | | | 13.385 | I NBT Bancorp |

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|---|--|--|--|--|-------|---|-----------|
| Inc. Common Stock | | | | | | | ESOP |
| NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | | | | | 1,842 | I | by Spouse |

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

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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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 21.74 | | | | | 05/01/2007 ⁽¹⁾ | 05/01/2016 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 5,000 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 22.1715 | | | | | 01/01/2005 ⁽²⁾ | 01/01/2014 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 18,200 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 22.3517 | | | | | 09/01/2006 ⁽³⁾ | 09/01/2014 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 9,700 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option | \$ 22.4075 | | | | | 09/08/2006 ⁽³⁾ | 09/08/2014 | NBT Bancorp | 15,300 |

(right to buy)

Non-Qualified
Stock Option \$ 22.4842
(right to buy)

05/01/2008⁽¹⁾ 05/01/2017

Inc.
Common
Stock

NBT
Bancorp
Inc.
Common
Stock

5,00

Non-Qualified
Stock Option \$ 23.2708
(right to buy)

01/20/2006⁽²⁾ 01/20/2015

NBT
Bancorp
Inc.
Common
Stock

31,9

Non-Qualified
Stock Option \$ 23.7553
(right to buy)

07/01/2007⁽³⁾ 07/01/2015

NBT
Bancorp
Inc.
Common
Stock

12,8

Non-Qualified
Stock Option \$ 23.8712
(right to buy)

07/05/2007⁽³⁾ 07/05/2015

NBT
Bancorp
Inc.
Common
Stock

2,69

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FORSYTHE DARYL R 52 SOUTH BROAD STREET NORWICH, NY 13815 | | | X | |

Signatures

By: Michael J. Chewens, Power of Attorney For: Daryl R.
Forsythe

01/03/2008

__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) Pursuant to NBT Non-Employee Director, Divisional Director and Subsidiary Director Stock Option Plan grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.

(2) Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.

(3) Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan reload grant vests 100% two years after date of its grant.

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