

COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/  
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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 \*  
NORCROSS GEORGE E III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
COMMERCE BANCORP INC /NJ/ [CBH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/19/2008

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

COMMERCE INSURANCE SERVICES, 1701 ROUTE 70 EAST

(Street)

4. 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

CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock					734,314	D	
Common Stock					28,409	I	401(k)
Common Stock					7,068	I	401(k) Allocation
Common Stock					2,623	I	By Wife-IRA
Common Stock					9,783	I	c/f Minor Children

Common Stock	380,338	I	Grantor Trusts for Minor Children
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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
Right to Buy <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 36.84	02/19/2008		A	125,000	<sup>(2)</sup>	02/19/2018	Common Stock	125,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NORCROSS GEORGE E III COMMERCE INSURANCE SERVICES 1701 ROUTE 70 EAST CHERRY HILL, NJ 08034		X		

## Signatures

George E. Norcross III	02/25/2008
**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) Granted under the Company's 1998 Stock Option Plans for Non-Employee Directors, which are 16b-3 plans.
- (2) The stock options were exercisable in 25% increments on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th anniversaries of the grant date.

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