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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LEVY JEFFREY M</u>				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NBT BANCORP INC</u> [NBTB]		tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ble) 10% Owner		
	(Last) 52 SOUTH BRC	(First) (Middle) BROAD STREET		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/21/2010	Х	Officer (give title below) EVP/ Pres Commerce	Other (specify below) cial Banking		
	(Street) NORWICH (City)	NY (State)	13815 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More than Person	orting Person		

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. Transa Code (8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	01/21/2010		A		4,200	A	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	16,145.442	D			
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock								1,809.976	I	401k		
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock								105.27	I	NBT Bancorp ESOP		

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Conversion Date Execution Date, Transaction or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any Code (Instr. Price of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) 8)			of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D	r osed) r. 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$20.19							01/15/2011 ⁽²⁾	01/15/2020	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	18,000		18,000	D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$20.3617							01/15/2009 ⁽³⁾	01/15/2018	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	7,500		7,500	D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.352							01/01/2007 ⁽³⁾	01/01/2016	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	5,000		5,000	D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$23.293							10/01/2006 ⁽³⁾	10/01/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	20,000		20,000	D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$25.38							01/15/2010 ⁽²⁾	01/15/2019	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	13,000		13,000	D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$25.762							01/01/2008 ⁽³⁾	01/01/2017	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	9,000		9,000	D		

Explanation of Responses:

The award is in the form of restricted stock units which represents a contingent right to receive one share of NBT Bancorp Inc. common stock for each stock unit awarded. The restricted stock units vest in full as of the fifth anniversary of the Grant Date and may not be settled in cash.

2. Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. 2009 Omnibus Stock Option Agreement the grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.

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

<u>By: Michael J. Chewens,</u> <u>Power of Attorney For: Jeffrey</u> 01/22/2010 <u>M. Levy</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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