

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u><a href="#">FORSYTHE DARYL R</a></u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>52 SOUTH BROAD STREET</u>  (Street) <u>NORWICH NY 13815</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u><a href="#">NBT BANCORP INC [ NBTB ]</a></u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/02/2006</u>	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting 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. 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	03/02/2006		s		737	D	\$23.2	125,279.962	D	
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	03/02/2006		s		2,706	D	\$23.16	122,573.962	D	
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock								13,735.744	I	401k
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock								2,924.431	I	NBT Bancorp ESOP
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock								1,842	I	by Spouse

**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 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)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$14,3492						01/28/2003 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/28/2012	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	10,460	10,460	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$17,538						01/01/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/01/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	14,550	14,550	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$18,1632						01/27/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/27/2008	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	0.99	0.99	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$19,7917						08/11/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/11/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	5,200	5,200	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$19,7925						08/14/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/14/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	6,050	6,050	D	

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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$19.8125							08/12/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/12/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	11,700		11,700	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$20.0558							08/05/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/05/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	4,000		4,000	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.1715							01/01/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/01/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	18,266		18,266	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.3517							09/01/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	09/01/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	9,700		9,700	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.4075							09/08/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	09/08/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	15,365		15,365	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$23.2708							01/20/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/20/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	31,907		31,907	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$23.7553							07/01/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	07/01/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	12,841		12,841	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$23.8712							07/05/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	07/05/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	2,693		2,693	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.
- Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan reload grant vests 100% two years after date of its grant.

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\*\* 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).

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