Registration No. 333-66472 SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 2 то FORM S-4 **REGISTRATION STATEMENT** under THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 NBT BANCORP INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter) Delaware 16-1268674 (State or other jurisdiction of (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or organization) Identification No.) 52 South Broad Street, Norwich, New York 13815 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) DARYL R. FORSYTHE President and Chief Executive Officer NBT BANCORP INC. 52 South Broad Street, Norwich, New York 13815 (607) 337-2265 (Name, address and telephone number of agent for service) Copy to:

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 4, 2001

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The purpose of this post-effective amendment is to deregister a total of 61,428 shares of NBT common stock that were not issued upon completion of NBT's merger with CNB Financial Corp. on November 8, 2001 and that are not reserved for future issuance under the CNB Financial Corp. Incentive Stock Option Plan, as assumed by NBT Bancorp Inc.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in Norwich, New York on this 30th day of November 2001.

NBT Bancorp Inc.

/s/ Darly R. Forsythe By: Daryl R. Forsythe Chairman of the Board of Directors, President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURE	CAPACITY	DATE
/s/ Daryl R. Forsythe	Chairman of the Board of Directors, President, and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	November 30, 2001
Daryl R. Forsythe		
* /s/ Michael J. Chewens	Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	November 30, 2001
Michael J. Chewens		
* /s/ J. Peter Chaplin	Director	November 30, 2001
J. Peter Chaplin		
*./s/ Richard Chojnowski	Director	November 30, 2001
Richard Chojnowski		
* /s/ Gene E. Goldenziel	Director	November 30, 2001
Gene E. Goldenziel		
* /s/ Peter B. Gregory	Director	November 30, 2001
Peter B. Gregory		
* /s/ William C. Gumble	Director	November 30, 2001
William C. Gumble		
* /s/ Bruce D. Howe	Director	November 30, 2001
Bruce D. Howe		

* /s/ Andrew S. Kowalczyk, Jr.	Director	November 30, 2001
Andrew S. Kowalczyk, Jr.		
* /s/ John C. Mitchell John C. Mitchell	Director	November 30, 2001
* /s/ Joseph G. Nasser	Director	November 30, 2001
Joseph G. Nasser		
* /s/ William C. Owens William L. Owens	Director	November 30, 2001
* /s/ Paul O. Stillman Paul O. Stillman	Director	November 30, 2001

*By: /s/ Daryl R. Forsythe

Daryl R. Forsythe, Attorney-in-Fact, Pursuant to Power of Attorney