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>CHEWENS MICHAEL J</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NBT BANCORP INC [NBTB]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 52 SOUTH BROAD STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/31/2008										X Officer (give title Other (specified) Senior EVP & CFO					
(Street)	Street) NORWICH NY 13815			4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Form f	led by One	nt/Group Filing (Check Appl d by One Reporting Person d by More than One Reporti					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)												Persor						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		te, Transa	Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)			or 5. Amor 4 and Securiti Benefic		nt of	Form (D) o	: Direct r Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
						,		Code	Code V		(A) or (D)		rice	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)			
NBT Ban	corp Inc. C	ommon Stock		05/31	05/31/2008				A		6,700 A			\$ <mark>0</mark> (1)	16,486.773		D				
NBT Ban	corp Inc. C	ommon Stock											\perp		11,9	90.36		I ·	401k		
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock														2,809.386		9.386		NBT Bancorp ESOP			
			Table II -						quired, C ts, optior						Owned						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)			Date, T	ransaction Code (Instr.)		of Ex		Expiration	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivativ Security		9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Natur of Indired Beneficia Ownersh (Instr. 4)		
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Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$20.3617								01/15/2009	(2) 0	1/15/2018	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	18,	000		18,000		D			
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.1715								01/01/2005	(2) 0	1/01/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	17,	015		17,015		D			
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.352								01/01/2007	(2) 0	1/01/2016	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	22,	000		22,000		D			
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$23.2708								01/20/2006	(2) 0	1/20/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	17,	507		17,50	7	D			
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$25.762								01/01/2008	(2) 0	1/01/2017	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	20,	000		20,00	0	D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 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.
- $2. \ Pursuant to \ NBT \ Bancorp \ Inc. \ 1993 \ Stock \ Option \ Plan \ grant \ vests \ 40\% \ for \ first \ year, \ 20\% \ annually \ for \ following \ years.$

** 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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