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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	ss of Reporting Perso	n*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NBT BANCORP INC</u> [NBTB]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
DIETRICH N	<u>MAKTIN A</u>			X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
52 SOUTH BROAD STREET			01/21/2010		President & CEO NBT Bancorp				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing ((Check Applicable			
NORWICH	NY	13815		X	Form filed by One Report	ting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Form filed by More than (Person	One Reporting			

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)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code V		Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	01/21/2010		A		7,500	A	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	58,786.205	D			
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock								15,294.868	Ι	401k		
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock								755	Ι	Custodian for Minor		
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock								9,057.456	I	NBT Bancorp ESOP		
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock								848	Ι	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. Transa Code (8)		5. Number 6. Date Exe		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	rivative derivative curity Securities	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)	\$ 14.3492							01/28/2003	01/28/2012	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	30,000		30,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$17.538							01/01/2004 ⁽²⁾	01/01/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	24,000		24,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$20.19							01/15/2011 ⁽³⁾	01/15/2020	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	25,000		25,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.3617							01/15/2009 ⁽²⁾	01/15/2018	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	25,000		25,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.1715							01/01/2005 ⁽²⁾	01/01/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	21,311		21,311	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)	\$22.205							02/11/2006 ⁽⁴⁾	02/11/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	3,840		3,840	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.352							01/01/2007 ⁽²⁾	01/01/2016	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	30,000		30,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.2708							01/20/2006 ⁽²⁾	01/20/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	22,423		22,423	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.4458							08/01/2007 ⁽⁴⁾	08/01/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	6,470		6,470	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.5692							12/27/2009 ⁽⁴⁾	12/27/2017	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	12,641		12,641	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.38							01/15/2010 ⁽³⁾	01/15/2019	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	25,000		25,000	D	
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$25.762							01/01/2008 ⁽²⁾	01/01/2017	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	28,000		28,000	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.

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

4. Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan reload grant vests 100% two years after date of its grant.

 By: Michael J. Chewens,

 Power of Attorney For: Martin

 01/22/2010

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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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