DIETRICH MARTIN A

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Bancorp

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DIETRICH MARTIN A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			NBT BA	NBT BANCORP INC [NBTB]				(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			` /			
52 SOUTH BROAD STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 01/20/2006					_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President/CEO NBT Bank		
	(Street)		4. If Ame	ndment, Da	te Origina	1		6. Individual or	Joint/Group Fil	ing(Check
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
NORWICH	I, NY 13815							Person		1 0
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Ac	equired, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Executi any	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion OnAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	d (A) of d of (D) 4 and (A) or))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	01/20/2006			A	5,250	A	\$ 0 (1)	38,929.506	D	
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock								13,164.997	I	401k

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Inc.
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Inc.	8,013.387	I	Bancorp
Common			ESOP
Stock			

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Bancorp Inc. 7,000 I by Mother

Common Stock

NBT Bancorp

Inc. 848 I by Spouse

Common Stock

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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 or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title I
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.352	01/20/2006		A	30,000	01/01/2007(2)	01/01/2016	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.3492					01/28/2003(2)	01/28/2012	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock

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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.227	08/03/2003(3)	08/03/2011	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.538	01/01/2004(2)	01/01/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.1632	01/27/1999(2)	01/27/2008	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.5952	01/26/2000(2)	01/26/2009	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.1715	01/01/2005(2)	01/01/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.205	02/11/2006(3)	02/11/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.2708	01/20/2006(2)	01/20/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.4458	08/01/2007(3)	08/01/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	ting Owner Name / Address			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

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DIETRICH MARTIN A 52 SOUTH BROAD STREET NORWICH, NY 13815

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President/CEO NBT Bank

Signatures

By: Michael J. Chewens, Power of Attorney For: Martin A Dietrich

01/24/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- Acquired pursuant to the formula provisions of the NBT Bancorp Inc. Performance Share Plan pursuant to which each member of a select
- (1) group of Management is entitled to receive an award based on Company performance goals in the form of restricted shares of the Company's common stock that vests three years following the end of a performance period.
- (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. 1993 Stock Option Plan reload grant vests 100% two years after date of its grant.

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