MACFARLANE JOHN C Form 4 April 16, 2003

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

O Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
See Instruction 1(b)

1.	Person* (1	Name and Address of Reporting Person* (Last, First, Middle) MACFARLANE, JOHN C			Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OTTER TAIL CORPORATION OTTR				I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)				
	215 S CAS		4.	April 14, 2003 Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)				If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year) Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
		(Street)											
	FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801			_	X l	Director _O	10% Owner		X	Form filed by One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Ü	Officer (give tite) Other (specify b	,		0	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
					_	Chairman of the Board							

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).

		(Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price						
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								3,441		D		(a)
								17,951.7241		I		By ESOP
								3,050.6195		I		By self-direct IRA
								19,958.5013		D		(c)
								2,080.5254		D		(d)
14/03		A	Δ	1,300	A	\$27.245		9,724		D		(e)
71	14/03	14/03	714/03 A	14/03 A	14/03 A 1,300	14/03 A 1,300 A	14/03 A 1,300 A \$27.245	14/03 A 1,300 A \$27.245	19,958.5013 2,080.5254	19,958.5013 2,080.5254	19,958.5013 D 2,080.5254 D	3,050.6195 I 19,958.5013 D 2,080.5254 D

$\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Table II} & \textbf{Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned} \\ & (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2.	Conversion or Exercise 3. Price of Derivative Security	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3a.	Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4.	Transaction 5. Code (Instr. 8)	(Securities	(A) or Disposed
							Code V		(A)	(D)
STOCK OPTIONS (RIGHT TO BUY)		\$19.1875								

Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7.	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8.	Price of 9 Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10.	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11.	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Date Expiration Exercisable Date		Amount or Number of Title Shares							
02-22-09		COMMON STOCK			52,000		D		
04-09-10		COMMON STOCK			100,000		D		
04-08-11		COMMON STOCK			100,000		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- a. These shares are held jointly with his wife.
- b. Shares held in the Corporation s Employee Stock Ownership Plan as of March 10, 2003.

- c. Shares acquired and held under the Corporation s Dividend Reinvestment Plan as of March 10, 2003.
- d. The Corporation s Employee Stock Purchase Plan as of March 10, 2003, including shares acquired upon reinvestment of dividends paid on shares held in the plan.
- e. Grants of restricted stock. The grant price for 3/25/02 was \$29.85, vesting 50%

e.(cont) immediately, 25% next 2 yrs, as long as he remains on the Board of Directors. 2,500 shares remain restricted. The grant price for 4/8/02 was \$31.34, vesting 25% yearly. 750 shares remain restricted.

e. (cont) The 1,300 shares granted 4/14/03 have a grant price of \$27.245 & vest at 25% yearly, beginning 4/8/04.

MACFARLANE BY DEBRA J LILL - POA	4/14/03
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

^{**} 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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