

CHOJNOWSKI RICHARD  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**CHOJNOWSKI RICHARD**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**52 SOUTH BROAD STREET**

(Street)

**NORWICH, NY 13815**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**NBT BANCORP INC [NBTB]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**01/24/2005**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	267,809	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.2708	01/24/2005		A	630	01/20/2006 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/20/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	630
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.3492					01/28/2003 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/28/2012	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1,500
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.0625					01/22/2002 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/22/2011	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1,500
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.6008					01/01/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/01/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1,500
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.1388					01/01/2005 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/01/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
	X			

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NORWICH, NY 13815

## Signatures

By: Michael J. Chewens, Power of Attorney For: Richard  
Chojnowski

01/26/2005

\_\_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).
- (1) Pursuant to NBT Non-Employee Director, Divisional Director and Subsidiary Director Stock Option Plan grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.

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