

NBT BANCORP INC  
Form 4  
December 26, 2007

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**CHEWENS MICHAEL J**

(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)  
**12/21/2007**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Senior EVP &amp; CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	12/21/2007		M	2,606	A \$ 14.3492	14,371.773	D
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	12/21/2007		S	2,606	D \$ 24.99	11,765.773	D
NBT Bancorp	12/21/2007		M	19,875	A \$ 17.538	31,640.773	D

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NBT  
Bancorp

Inc. 12/21/2007

S 19,875 D \$ 24.99 11,765.773 D

Common  
Stock

NBT  
Bancorp

Inc.

10,001.602 I 401k

Common  
Stock

NBT  
Bancorp

Inc.

2,664.951 I NBT  
Bancorp  
ESOP

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 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 Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.3492	12/21/2007		M	2,606	01/28/2003 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/28/2012	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.538	12/21/2007		M	19,875	01/01/2004 <sup>(1)</sup> 01/01/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common

Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.1715	01/01/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/01/2014	Stock NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.352	01/01/2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/01/2016	Stock NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.2708	01/20/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/20/2015	Stock NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.762	01/01/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/01/2017	Stock NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CHEWENS MICHAEL J 52 SOUTH BROAD STREET NORWICH, NY 13815			Senior EVP & CFO	

## Signatures

Michael J  
Chewens 12/26/2007

\_\_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 Bancorp Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.

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