NBT BANCORP INC

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

CHEWENS MICHAEL J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol				Issuer			
			NBT BANCORP INC [NBTB]				(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				•			
52 SOUTH BROAD STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2008				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amer	4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
NORWICH	Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Y	any	emed ion Date, if n/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. SecurionAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) or l of (D)	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)	
Inc. Common Stock							9,786.773	D		
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock							11,990.36	I	401k	
NBT Bancorp							2,809.386	I	NBT Bancorp	

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Common Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.3617	01/15/2008		A	18,000	01/15/2009(1)	01/15/2018	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.1715					01/01/2005(1)	01/01/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.352					01/01/2007(1)	01/01/2016	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.2708					01/20/2006(1)	01/20/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.762					01/01/2008(1)	01/01/2017	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 01/17/2008

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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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