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SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC Form 4 March 18, 2016 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading CACERES R LOUIS Issuer Symbol SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC (Check all applicable) [SASR] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) SANDY SPRING BANCORP. 03/16/2016 Executive Vice President of Bk INC., 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting **OLNEY, MD 20832** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Following Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price (D) Common 03/16/2016 \$0 $D_{(1)}$ Α 3,551 А 3,551 Stock Common 28,048 D Stock Common 1,276 $D^{(2)}$ Stock Common D⁽³⁾ 2,032 Stock Common 3,607 $D^{(4)}$ Stock

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Common Stock	3,911	D <u>(5)</u>
Common Stock	4,756	D <u>(6)</u>

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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CACERES R LOUIS SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC. 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE OLNEY, MD 20832			Executive Vice President of Bk			
Signatures						
/s/ Ronald E. Kuykendall, attorney-in-fact		03/18/2016				
<pre>Signature of Reporting Person</pre>		Date				
Explanation of Responses:						

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* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Restricted stock awarded under 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan vests in equal installments annually for five years beginning April 1, 2017.

- (2) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments on the anniversary of the grant over five years beginning March 30, 2012.
- (3) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments on the anniversary of the grant over five years beginning March 28, 2013.
- (4) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments annually over five years beginning April 1, 2014.
- (5) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments annually over five years beginning April 1, 2015.
- (6) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments annually over five years beginning April 1, 2016.

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