NASSER JOSEPH G

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Common Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

may continue.

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NASSER JOSEPH G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NBT BANCORP INC [NBTB]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)				(Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			
52 SOUTH BROAD STREET			01/24/2005				Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
NORWICH	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securities Ac	Person cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Y	emed ion Date, if //Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Pr	(A) or of (D) 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)			
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock							22,283	D		
NBT Bancorp Inc.							26,569	I	Custodian for Minor	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nun of Shar	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.2708	01/24/2005		A	630	01/20/2006(1)	01/20/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	6.	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.3492					01/28/2003(1)	01/28/2012	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1,5	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.0625					01/22/2002(1)	01/22/2011	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1,5	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.6008					01/01/2004(1)	01/01/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1,4	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.1388					01/01/2005(1)	01/01/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1,5	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NASSER JOSEPH G 52 SOUTH BROAD STREET X NORWICH, NY 13815

Signatures

By: Michael J. Chewens, Power of Attorney For: Joseph Nasser

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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