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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DOWNEY PAUL C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SLADES FERRY BANCORP [SFBC]				ıg	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 100 SLADE	(First) S FERRY AVE	(Middle)	3. Date of (Month/D 02/29/20	ay/Year)				_X_ Director Officer (gives below)		% Owner ner (specify	
Filed(N				If Amendment, Date Original led(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			
SOMERSE	T, MA 02726							Person			
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									lly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)			Securities Form: Direct Indire Beneficially (D) or Benef Owned Indirect (I) Owne		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
C				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock, par value \$.01	02/29/2008			D	6,000	D	<u>(1)</u>	0	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.01	02/29/2008			D	2,000	D	<u>(1)</u>	0	I	Business Profit Sharing Plan	

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 conf 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.85	02/29/2008		D	6,000	(2)	05/12/2010	Common Stock (\$.01 par value)	6,000	
Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.25	02/29/2008		D	2,000	(2)	05/10/2009	Common Stock (\$.01 par value)	2,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsnips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe		

DOWNEY PAUL C 100 SLADES FERRY AVE. X SOMERSET, MA 02726

Signatures

/s/ Mary Lynn D. Lenz by Power of Attorney for Paul C. Downey

03/03/2008 Date

**Signature of 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).
- Disposed of pursuant to a merger agreement between the issuer and Independent Bank Corp. in exchange for \$25.50 in cash or 0.818

 (1) shares of Independent common stock (or a combination of both) per share, depending on the election made by the reporting person and the proration procedures described in the merger agreement.
- (2) All options are currently exercisable.

(3)

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Cancelled pursuant to the merger agreement in exchange for a cash payment (less any applicable withholdings) representing the difference between the exercise price and \$25.50 per option.

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