

Bentley Ronald M
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Â Bentley Ronald M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

52 SOUTH BROAD STREET

(Street)

NORWICH,Â NYÂ 13815

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/31/2005

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
NBT BANCORP INC [NBTB]

4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer ____ Other
(give title below) (specify below)
EVP & President of Retail

5. 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 Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock

1,035.791

I

401k

NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock

184.312

I

NBT Bancorp ESOP

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially
owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and
Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative

5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:

6. Nature of
Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	01/28/2003 ⁽¹⁾	01/28/2012	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1,960	\$ 14.3492	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	01/01/2004 ⁽¹⁾	01/01/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	6,225	\$ 17.538	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	01/01/2005 ⁽¹⁾	01/01/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	5,557	\$ 22.1715	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	01/20/2006 ⁽¹⁾	01/20/2015	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	6,788	\$ 23.2708	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Bentley Ronald M 52 SOUTH BROAD STREET NORWICH, NY 13815	Â	Â	Â EVP & President of Retail	Â

Signatures

Ronald M.
Bentley

08/31/2005

⁽¹⁾Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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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