HUTCHERSON MICHAEL H

Form 5

January 26, 2005

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Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HUTCHERSON MICHAEL H			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NBT BANCORP INC [NBTB]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) 52 SOUTH BR	(First)	(Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004	(Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)		

NORWICH, NYÂ 13815

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	(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-Deriv	vative Sec	urities	s Acqui	ired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
,	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) of (D))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
]	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	12/31/2004	Â	J	42.46	A	\$ 0 (1)	3,543.46	D	Â
	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	12/31/2004	Â	J	81.32	A	\$ 0 (1)	2,613.32	I	by Spouse

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ar or Nu of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.6008	Â	Â	Â	Â	01/01/2004(2)	01/01/2013	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.1388	Â	Â	Â	Â	01/01/2005(2)	01/01/2014	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• •	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe			
HUTCHERSON MICHAEL H 52 SOUTH BROAD STREET NORWICH, NY 13815	ÂΧ	Â	Â	Â			

Signatures

By: Michael J. Chewens, Power of Attorney For: Michael H. Hutcherson

01/26/2005

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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- * 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).

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- (1) Shares acquired under NBT Bancorp Dividend Reinvestment Plan during period of January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004 at prices ranging from \$21.9771 to \$26.4761 per share.
- (2) 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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