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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person 2. Issuer Name and Symbol OCEANFIRST [OCFC]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) 975 HOOPI	(First) ER AVENUE	(Middle)	3. Date of (Month/D) 02/15/20	ransaction					0% Owner Other (specify			
TOMS RIV	(Street) ER, NJ 08754			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 Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ally Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction E (Month/Day/Ye	ar) Execution	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. SecurionAcquire Dispose (Instr. 3	d (A) od of (E), 4 and (A) or))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	02/15/2012			A	681	A	\$ 0	43,944	D (1)			
Common Stock								700	I	By Custodian Account		
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.												
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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)			
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.83	02/15/2012		A		3,500		02/15/2013	02/15/2022	Common Stock	3,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.88							02/20/2003	02/20/2012	Common Stock	9,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.44							05/30/2004	05/30/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.525							05/28/2005	05/28/2014	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.475							02/15/2007	02/15/2016	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.17							02/21/2008	02/21/2017	Common Stock	2,250
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.81							02/20/2009	02/20/2018	Common Stock	2,363
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.28							02/18/2010	02/18/2019	Common Stock	2,363

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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10	02/17/2011	02/17/2020	Common Stock	3,310
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.87	02/18/2012	02/18/2021	Common Stock	3,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RHINE DIANE F 975 HOOPER AVENUE TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754	X						

Signatures

/s/ Steven J. Tsimbinos, Power of Attorney 02/17/2012

**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) Restricted shares awarded vest in five equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2013. Total includes other unvested restricted stock.
- (2) Options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the date first exercisable.

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