STERLING BANCORP

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FELDESMAN WALTER

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

STERLING BANCORP [STL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

650 FIFTH AVENUE, 4TH FLOOR

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

06/30/2006

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) 08/18/2006

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Person

Table I. Non Darivative Securities Acquired Disposed of an Panaficially Ov

below)

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi		•	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	•	any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported		
					or		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/16/2006		S	1,000	D	\$ 19.84	21,446	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2006		S	1,000 (1)	D	\$ 19.78	20,446	D	

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)

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D S	Title of erivative ecurity nstr. 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	` ,		e	7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share
S	Ion-qualified tock Option right to buy)	\$ 19.5	06/30/2006		A	4,725 (2)	06/30/2007	06/30/2011	Common Stock	4,72

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FELDESMAN WALTER 650 FIFTH AVENUE 4TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10019	X					
0:						

Signatures

/s/ Feldesman,

Walter 08/17/2006

**Signature of Date
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).
- On November 9, 2005 a sale of 4,000 common shares was reported. This amount was incorrect and should have been reported on (1) November 9, 2005 as a sale of 5,000 common shares. The correct number of amount of securities beneficially owned as of August 17, 2006 is correctly stated as 20,446.
- (2) Non-employee directors were granted options for 4,753 shares of common stock pursuant to the final grant under an automatic grant of options adopted in 2002.

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