

SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 CACERES R LOUIS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC [SASR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/26/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President of Bk

SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC., 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE
 (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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OLNEY, MD 20832

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/26/2008		A	1,000 A \$ 0	1,000	D	
Common Stock					572	D	
Common Stock					1,204	I	ESPP
Common Stock					800 ⁽³⁾	I	By Stock Award

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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.96	03/26/2008		A	5,000	03/26/2009 ⁽¹⁾	03/26/2015	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.4					12/13/2007 ⁽¹⁾	12/13/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.21					12/15/1999 ⁽²⁾	12/15/2009	Common Stock	2,081
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.25					12/11/2002 ⁽²⁾	12/11/2012	Common Stock	4,700
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38					12/15/2004 ⁽²⁾	12/15/2014	Common Stock	6,050

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
			Executive Vice President of Bk	

CACERES R LOUIS
SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC.
17801 GEORGIA AVENUE
OLNEY, MD 20832

Signatures

/s/ Janet VA Replogle, attorney-in-fact for Mr.
Caceres

03/28/2008

__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) Stock options granted under the 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vest in equal annual increments on the first, second, and third anniversary of the grant.
- (2) Stock options fully vested and exercisable.
- (3) Restricted stock awarded under the 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in five equal, annual installments on the anniversary dates of the award.

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