

HOLLAR HUNTER R  
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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 \*  
HOLLAR HUNTER R

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)

SANDY SPRING BANCORP,  
INC., 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

(Street)

OLNEY, MD 20832

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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)		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	12/31/2008		D <sup>(1)</sup>	1,500	D	\$ 0 0	I	Restricted Stock Award
Common Stock	03/25/2009		A	1,665	A	\$ 0 1,665	I <sup>(2)</sup>	Restricted Stock
Common Stock						907	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock						27,548	D	
						8,072	I	

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Common Stock						In Wife's Rev Trst
Common Stock		2,000		I <sup>(2)</sup>		Restricted 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.21					12/15/1999 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/31/2009	Common Stock	10,520
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.54					12/13/2000 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/31/2009	Common Stock	7,481
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.25					12/21/2001 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/31/2009	Common Stock	18,400
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.25					12/11/2002 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/31/2009	Common Stock	17,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.91					12/17/2003 <sup>(3)</sup> 03/31/2009	Common Stock	16,950

Buy)					
Stock					
Options	\$ 38		12/15/2004 <sup>(3)</sup>	03/31/2009	Common Stock 18,650
(Right to Buy)					
Stock					
Options	\$ 38.13		12/14/2005 <sup>(3)</sup>	03/31/2009	Common Stock 22,500
(Right to Buy)					
Stock					
Options	\$ 37.4		12/13/2007 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/31/2009	Common Stock 7,667
(Right to Buy)					

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOLLAR HUNTER R SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC. 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE OLNEY, MD 20832	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Janet VA Replogle, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Hollar 03/27/2009

\_\_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 stock forfeited upon retirement 12/31/2008.
- (2) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments on the anniversary of the grant over three years.
- (3) Stock options fully vested and exercisable.
- (4) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc. 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vest in three annual installments commencing on December 13, 2007.

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