

Mantua Philip J
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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 *
Mantua Philip J

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
EVP, Chief Financial Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)
SANDY SRPING BANCORP, INC., 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE
(Street)

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

OLNEY, MD 20832

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
				Code	V	Amount			
Common Stock	03/26/2008		A	1,250	A	\$ 0	1,250	I	Restricted Stock Award ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock							200	D	
Common Stock							1,096	D ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock							800	I	By Stock Award ⁽¹⁾
							2,821	I ⁽³⁾	401(k) Plan

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Common
Stock

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	5,750	03/26/2009 ⁽⁴⁾ 03/26/2015	Common Stock 5,750
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.91					12/17/2003 ⁽⁵⁾ 12/17/2013	Common Stock 2,200
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.25					12/21/2001 ⁽⁵⁾ 12/21/2011	Common Stock 1,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38					12/15/2004 ⁽⁵⁾ 12/15/2014	Common Stock 6,050
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.25					12/11/2002 ⁽⁵⁾ 12/11/2012	Common Stock 1,750
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.4					12/13/2007 ⁽⁴⁾ 12/13/2013	Common Stock 5,000

Buy)					
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.21	12/15/1999 ⁽⁵⁾	12/15/2009	Common Stock	175
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.13	12/14/2005 ⁽⁵⁾	12/14/2012	Common Stock	6,395
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.54	12/13/2000 ⁽⁵⁾	12/13/2010	Common Stock	1,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mantua Philip J SANDY SRPING BANCORP, INC. 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE OLNEY, MD 20832			EVP, Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Janet VA Replogle, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Mantua
 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) Restricted stock awarded under the 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in five equal, annual installments on the anniversary dates of the award.
- (2) Voluntary reporting of shares held in Employee Stock Purchase Plan as of 12/31/2007.
- (3) Voluntary reporting of shares in 401(k) plan as of 12/31/2007.
- (4) Stock options granted under the 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vest in equal annual increments on the first, second, and third anniversary of the grant.
- (5) Stock options fully vested and exercisable.

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