

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 |

