APPLEBAUM HOWARD M

Form 5/A

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b). Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
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Form 4 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * APPLEBAUM HOWARD M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STERLING BANCORP [stl]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended	(C		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
650 FIFTH AVENUE			12/31/2011	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Senior Vice President		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year) 02/07/2012	(check applicable line)		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I Non Derivative Securities Age	guined Disposed of an Panaficially Owned		

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-Deri	vative Sec	curitie	s Acqu	ired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly 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. Securi Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	d (A) od of (E) 4 and (A) or))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	42,512 (1)	D	Â
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	2,699	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	3,343	I	By IRA

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)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of S
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.99	Â	Â	Â	Â	03/15/2012(2)	03/15/2017	Common Stock	10
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 14.6	Â	Â	Â	Â	02/06/2003(3)	02/06/2012	Common Stock	18

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Fg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
APPLEBAUM HOWARD M 650 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10019-6108	Â	Â	Senior Vice President	Â			

Signatures

Howard M. O2/09/2012 Applebaum

**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).

Includes 2,876 shares of restricted common stock issued March 25, 2010 and 2,734 shares of restricted common stock issued March 24,

- 2011, pursuant to the Sterling Bancorp Stock Incentive Plan. The shares vest 50%, 25% and 25% on the second, third and fourth
 (1) anniversaries of the respective grants subject to (1) accelerated vesting upon death, disability or change in control and (2) continued vesting upon retirment after the second anniversary of the grant date subject to compliance with a non-compete. The restricted shares are subject to full dividend reinvestment.
- (2) CORRECTED FOOTNOTE: Non-qualified stock options become exercisable commencing on the fifth anniversary of the grant date for a term of 10 years from date of grant.
- (3) CORRECTED FOOTNOTE: On December 15, 2005 the Board of Directors voted to accelerate the vesting and exercisability of any outstanding unvested and unexercisable non-qualified stock options granted to officers on March 22, 2005 effective as of December 19, 2005; provided, however, that the transfer of shares acquired by such exercise is restricted until the date that the option would have been

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exercisable prior to such change. Such restrictions will expire as to 10% on the first anniversary of the date of the grant, an additional 15% of the grant on the second anniversary of the date of the grant, an additional 25% of the grant on the third anniversary of the date of the grant and the remaining 50% of the grant on the fourth anniversary of the date of the grant.

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