

Poitras Thomas M
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Poitras Thomas M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 TRUSTCO BANK CORP N Y [TRST]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O TRUSTCO BANK CORP NY, 5 SARNOWSKI DRIVE
 (Street)
 GLENVILLE, NY 12302
 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/20/2012
 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 AVP & ASSISTANT SECRETARY
 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 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)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of Derivative	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security
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(Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of Sha
OPTION: RT-TO-BUY	\$ 5.17	11/20/2012	A		6,000		<u>(1)</u>	11/20/2022	COMMON STOCK	6,
RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT	<u>(2)</u>	11/20/2012	A		1,500		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	COMMON STOCK	1,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Poitras Thomas M C/O TRUSTCO BANK CORP NY 5 SARNOWSKI DRIVE GLENNVILLE, NY 12302			AVP & ASSISTANT SECRETARY	

Signatures

ROBERT T. CUSHING, BY POWER OF ATTORNEY

11/23/2012

Date

**Signature of 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).
- (1) THE OPTIONS VEST OVER FIVE EQUAL ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS BEGINING NOVEMBER 20, 2013.
- (2) EACH RESTRICTED STOCK UNIT REPRESENTS A CONTINGENT RIGHT TO RECEIVE A PAYMENT IN CASH EQUAL TO THE VALUE OF A SHARE OF ISSUED COMMON STOCK.
- (3) THE RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS "VEST" IN WHOLE ON NOVEMBER 20, 2015. SETTLEMENT OF THE RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS WILL BE MADE IN CASH ONLY.

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