#### OSBORN WILLIAM A

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### FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad OSBORN W	•	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			NORTHERN TRUST CORP [NTRS]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET			04/18/2008	below) below) Chairman of the Board		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
CHICAGO, I	L 60603		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (		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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/18/2008		M	45,572	A	\$ 45.1563	541,813	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008		M	18,397	A	\$ 32.615	560,210	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008		S	33	D	\$ 73.24	560,177	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008		S	100	D	\$ 73.26	560,077	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008		S	1,200	D	\$ 73.28	558,877	I	By Trust

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Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	100	D	\$ 73.2825	558,777	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	100	D	\$ 73.29	558,677	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	2,400	D	\$ 73.3	556,277	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	700	D	\$ 73.31	555,577	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	100	D	\$ 73.315	555,477	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	400	D	\$ 73.32	555,077	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	1,700	D	\$ 73.33	553,377	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	100	D	\$ 73.335	553,277	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	3,950	D	\$ 73.34	549,327	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	200	D	\$ 73.35	549,127	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	100	D	\$ 73.355	549,027	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	350	D	\$ 73.36	548,677	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	1,955	D	\$ 73.37	546,722	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	600	D	\$ 73.375	546,122	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	2,650	D	\$ 73.38	543,472	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	200	D	\$ 73.3825	543,272	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	600	D	\$ 73.385	542,672	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	100	D	\$ 73.3875	542,572	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	2,697	D	\$ 73.39	539,875	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	2,250	D	\$ 73.4	537,625	I	By Trust
	04/18/2008	S	200	D	\$ 73.405	537,425	I	By Trust

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Common Stock								
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	100	D	\$ 73.4075	537,325	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	98	D	\$ 73.41	537,227	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	100	D	\$ 73.4125	537,127	I	By Trust
Common Stock	04/18/2008	S	850	D	\$ 73.42	536,277	I	By Trust

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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)	TransactionDerivative E Code Securities (		sable and ce (ear)	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securi
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)  (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sl
Employee Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 45.1563	04/18/2008		M	45,572	05/13/2001	05/13/2009	Common Stock	45,
Employee Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 32.615	04/18/2008		M	18,397	08/18/2003	02/18/2013	Common Stock	18,

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
<b></b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
OSBORN WILLIAM A 50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET CHICAGO, IL 60603	X		Chairman of the Board				

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# **Signatures**

Paul A. Bernacki, Attorney-in-Fact for William A.
Osborn

04/22/2008

\*\*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) This Form 4 is being filed as Part 1 and is continued on two additional Form 4s as Parts 2 and 3 (due to the thirty row maximum allowed on Table I)

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