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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Transactions Reported

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

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		
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)		3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended	(Check all applicable)		
650 FIFTH A	VENUE		(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2011	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 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)	Table Table	e I - Non-Deri	vative Sec	curitie	s Acqu	ired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly 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) of (D) 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 Und (Month/Day/Year) (Ins		Underlying S	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		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	

APPLEBAUM HOWARD M 650 FIFTH AVENUE

Â Senior Vice President Â

Other

NEW YORK, NYÂ 10019-6108

Signatures

Howard M. Applebaum 02/09/2012

**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 grant dates subject to (1) acclerated vesting upon death, disability and change in control and (2) continued vesting upon retirement 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 ten years from date of grant.
- (3) CORRECTED FOOTNOTE: Options become exercisable in three installments on the first anniversary of the grant, for a term of ten years from the date of the grant (first exercisable date listed).

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