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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Friis Mark E			Symbol SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC					Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	[SASR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specification)					
	PRING BANCO 1 GEORGIA A	· ·	07/30/2	800				00.10 11)	001011)		
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acq	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution	ned n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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	07/30/2008			P	3,000	A	\$ 16.97	10,300	I	By Trust	
Common Stock								1,304	D		
Common Stock								280	I (1)	Restricted Stock	
Common								215	I (2)	Restricted Stock	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Stock

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			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					03/26/2009(3)	03/26/2015	Common Stock	1,260
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.13					12/14/2005(4)	12/14/2012	Common Stock	788
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.4					12/13/2007(3)	12/13/2013	Common Stock	1,251

Reporting Owners

Relationships					
Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
X					
]		Director 10% Owner	Director 10% Owner Officer		

Signatures

/s/ Janet VA Replogle, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Friis

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**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) Restricted stock awarded under the 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in five equal, annual installments beginning March 26, 2009.
- (2) Restricted stock awarded under the 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan and vests in five equal, annual installments beginning December 13, 2007.
- (3) Stock options granted under the 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vest in equal annual increments on the first, second, and third anniversary of the grant.
- (4) Stock options fully vested and exercisable.

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