Mantua Philip J Form 4 March 27, 2009

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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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1(b).

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may continue.

Name and Address of Reporting Person * Mantua Philip J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC [SASR]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)					Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)			
	PING BANCO GEORGIA A		03/25/20	109				EVP, C	hief Financial O	fficer	
(Street)			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 Form filed by More than One Reporting			
OLNEY, MI	O 20832							Person	More than One R	eporting	
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ear) Executi any		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l 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	03/25/2009			A	6,595	A	\$0	6,595	D (1)		
Common Stock								2,821	I	401(k) Plan	
Common Stock								400	D		
Common Stock								1,096	D		
Common								600	D (2)		

Common Stock

1,250

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		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)	\$ 17.21					12/15/1999(4)	12/15/2009	Common Stock	175
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.54					12/13/2000(4)	12/13/2010	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.25					12/21/2001(4)	12/21/2011	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.25					12/11/2002(4)	12/11/2012	Common Stock	1,750
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.91					12/17/2003(4)	12/17/2013	Common Stock	2,200
Stock	\$ 38					12/15/2004(4)	12/15/2014	Common	6,050

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Options (Right to				Stock	
Buy) Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.13	12/14/2005 <u>(4)</u>	12/14/2012	Common Stock	6,395
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.4	12/13/2007(5)	12/13/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.96	03/26/2009(5)	03/26/2015	Common Stock	5,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mantua Philip J SANDY SRPING BANCORP, INC. 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE OLNEY, MD 20832

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

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

Mantua

03/27/2009

**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 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments on the anniversary of the grant over three years beginning March 25, 2010.
- (2) Restricted stock awarded under the 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in five equal, annual installments beginning on December 13, 2007.
- (3) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in five equal, annual installments beginning on March 26, 2009.
- (4) Stock options fully vested and exercisable.
- (5) Stock options granted under the 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vest in equal annual increments on the first, second, and third anniversary of the grant.

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