OTTER TAIL CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add MOLBERT La	^	ing Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OTTER TAIL CORP [OTTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
215 S CASCADE ST			02/12/2008	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
				COO & Exec Vice Pres			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	Z _{1p)} Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecuriti	ies Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies Acc	quired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Dis	sposed	of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)	any		Code (D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common	00/10/0000		3.4	10.000		(1)	10.000	Ъ	
Stock	02/12/2008		M	19,000	A	(1)	19,000	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2008		F	5,905	D	<u>(2)</u>	13,095 (3)	D	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	6. Date Exercisable and 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	
Performance Rights	<u>(4)</u>	02/12/2008		M	19,000	(5)	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	19,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MOLBERT LAURIS N 215 S CASCADE ST FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801

COO & Exec Vice Pres

Signatures

/s/ Lauris N Molbert by Debra J Lill -POA

02/12/2008

**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) The grant price of this award was based on fair market value at the time of the grant which was \$24.93.
- (2) The vesting price of this award was based on fair market value of \$33.01 per share.
- Performance Award. On 2/12/2008, 5,905 shares were withheld by the Corporation to pay taxes due upon vesting of this award, exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3(e). See below for other holdings: 1. Direct holding of 23,433 shares of Common Stock held with his wife in "street name" with Wells Fargo. 2. Direct holding of 5,400 shares which is a grant of Restricted Stock. 3. Indirect holding of 215.0570 shares of Common Stock held by ESOP. 4. 30,000 stock options with expiration date of 4/9/2011.
- (4) This Performance Share Award had no conversion or exercise price established at the time of the grant.
- (5) There is no specific "Exercisable Date" on this Performance Share Award.
- (6) There is no specific "Expiration Date" on this Performance Share Award.
- (7) The grant price of this award was based on fair market value at the time of the grant which was \$24.93 and vested at a fair market value of \$33.01 per share.

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