SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC

Form 4

December 14, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Friis Mark E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC

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(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

12/13/2006

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

SANDY SPRING BANK, 17801 **GEORGIA AVENUE**

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street)

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

OLNEY, MD 20832

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1. Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Ownership Owned Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s)

Price Code V Amount (D)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 12/13/2006 Stock

 $A^{(1)}$ 269

D 2,167

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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 coof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	te	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)	\$ 37.4	12/13/2006		A(2)	1,251	12/13/2007	12/13/2013	Common Stock	1,251

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Friis Mark E SANDY SPRING BANK 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE OLNEY, MD 20832	X					

Signatures

M. Friis 12/14/2006

**Signature of Pate 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) Award of restricted stock under stock option plan. Vests 1/5 each on 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th award anniversary.
- (2) Award of stock options under stock option plan. Vests 1/3 each on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd award anniversary.

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