Corrato Joseph R Form 4 January 07, 2009

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Name and Address of Reporting Person Corrato Joseph R	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PRUDENTIAL BANCORP INC OF PENNSYLVANIA [PBIP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle C/O PRUDENTIAL SAVINGS BANK, 1834 OREGON AVENU	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/05/2009	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) See footnote (6)		
(Street) PHILADELPHIA, PA 19145	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 Person		

(City)	(State) (X	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, 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. 4. Securit Transaction(A) or Di Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3,		(A) or		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	01/05/2009		Code V A	Amount 24,000 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 0	24,154 (2)	D	
Common Stock							79 (2)	I	By son
Common Stock							3,364.1092 (3)	I	By 401(k) Plan
Common Stock							3,861 (4)	I	By ESOP

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 deprivative 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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.17	01/05/2009		A	56,537	<u>(5)</u>	01/05/2019	Common Stock	56,537

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Corrato Joseph R C/O PRUDENTIAL SAVINGS BANK 1834 OREGON AVENUE PHILADELPHIA, PA 19145

See footnote (6)

Signatures

/s/ Joseph R. 01/07/2009 Corrato

**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).
- (1) Represents the grant of shares pursuant to the 2008 Recognition and Retention Plan that vest 20% per year commencing on January 5, 2010.
- (2) Includes shares acquired pursuant to the Issuer's dividend reinvestment plan since the Reporting Person's last filed report.
- (3) Represents units of the Issuer's securities held in the 401(k) plan on the Reporting Person's behalf. Each unit consists of one share of common stock.

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- (4) Reflects ESOP allocations that have occurred since the date of the Reporting Person's last ownership report.
- (5) The options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

Remarks:

(6) - Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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