OTTER TAIL CORP

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ERICKSON JOHN D			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OTTER TAIL CORP [OTTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
215 S CASCADE ST			05/14/2008	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				President & CEO		
(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)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-D	erivative s	ities Acqu	equired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction (A) or I Code (Instr. 3 (Instr. 8)		(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	05/14/2008		S $(1)(2)$	Amount 100	(D)	Price \$ 35.91	1,801	I	By Foundation	
Common Stock	05/14/2008		S(2)	100	D	\$ 35.93	1,701	I	By Foundation	
Common Stock	05/14/2008		S(2)	700	D	\$ 35.95	1,001	I	By Foundation	
Common Stock	05/14/2008		S(2)	500	D	\$ 35.96	501	I	By Foundation	
Common Stock	05/14/2008		S(2)	200	D	\$ 35.97	301	I	By Foundation	

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Common Stock	05/14/2008	S(2)	300	D	\$ 35.98	1	I	By Foundation
Common Stock	05/14/2008	S(2)	1	D	\$ 35.99	0	I	By Foundation
Common Stock						4,981.8807	I	ESOP

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		ate	7. Title Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of		
			Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			•		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
ERICKSON JOHN D 215 S CASCADE ST FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801	X		President & CEO		
Signatures					
/s/ John D Erickson by Debra J Lill, Attorney-in-Fact		05/	16/2008		
**Signature of Reporting Person			Date		

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- * 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) All sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1(c) trading plans.
- (2) Trading Plan was adopted by The John and Kim Erickson Family Foundation, a non-profit charitable corporation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code on 5/7/2008.

Remarks:

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