

NORTHERN TRUST CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Potter Stephen N

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NORTHERN TRUST CORP
 [NTRS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 50 S. LA SALLE ST.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/18/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President

CHICAGO, IL 60603

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/18/2008		M	2,890 A \$ 34.5938	29,285	I	By Trust
Common Stock	01/18/2008		F	1,412 D \$ 70.785	27,873	I	By Trust
Common Stock					880	I	Spouse as Trustee for Son
Common Stock					880	I	Spouse as Trustee for Daughter

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- (1) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.
- (2) as of 12-31-07

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