

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP

Form 4

January 25, 2008

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
FUERSCHBACH RAYMOND G

(Last) (First) (Middle)

288 UNION STREET

(Street)

ROCKLAND, MA 02370

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
INDEPENDENT BANK CORP  
[INDB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/24/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

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

**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)
Common Stock	01/24/2008		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 5,900 A \$ 17.25	15,650	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)**

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	9. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.25	01/24/2008		M	5,900	06/12/1999 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/22/2008	Common Stock	5,900
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.9063					<sup>(2)</sup>	12/20/2010	Common Stock	7,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.4063					<sup>(3)</sup>	12/22/2009	Common Stock	7,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.125					<sup>(4)</sup>	12/19/2011	Common Stock	7,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.47					<sup>(5)</sup>	12/19/2012	Common Stock	5,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 30.14					<sup>(6)</sup>	12/11/2013	Common Stock	3,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.125					<sup>(4)</sup>	12/19/2011	Common Stock	2,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.47					<sup>(5)</sup>	12/19/2012	Common Stock	2,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.895					12/15/2005 <sup>(7)</sup>	12/14/2012	Common Stock	7,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 30.14					<sup>(6)</sup>	12/11/2013	Common Stock	2,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.995					02/15/2008 <sup>(8)</sup>	02/15/2017	Common Stock	5,000

Non-Qualified  
Stock Option  
(right to buy)  
(9)

\$ 34.18

12/15/2005

12/09/2014

Common  
Stock

7

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FUERSCHBACH RAYMOND G 288 UNION STREET ROCKLAND, MA 02370			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

By: Linda M. Campion, Power of Attorney For: Raymond G.  
Fuerschbach

01/25/2008

\_\_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) Granted under the Independent Bank Corp. 1997 Employee Stock Option Plan (1997 Plan). 1,967 shares pursuant to the Option shall first become exercisable on 6/24/99, 1,967 shares shall first become exercisable on 1/2/00, and the remaining 1,966 shares shall first become exercisable on 1/2/01. The Option will expire on 12/22/08 subject to the earlier termination provisions noted above.

(2) Granted under the 1997 Plan. 2,375 shares shall first become exercisable on 6/22/01, 2,375 shares shall first become exercisable on 1/2/02, and the remaining 2,375 shares shall first become exercisable on 1/2/03. The Option will expire on 12/20/10, subject to the earlier termination provisions noted above.

(3) Granted under the 1997 Plan. 2,484 shares shall first become exercisable on 6/24/00, 2,484 shares shall first become exercisable on 1/2/01, and the remaining 2,482 shares shall first become exercisable on 1/2/02. The Option will expire on 12/22/09 subject to the earlier termination provisions noted above.

(4) Granted under the Plan. 2,600 shares shall first become exercisable on 6/21/02, 2,600 shares shall first become exercisable on 1/2/03 and the remaining 2,600 shares shall first become exercisable on 1/2/04. The Option will expire on 12/19/11, subject to the earlier termination provisions noted above.

(5) Granted under the 1997 Plan. 2,534 shares shall first become exercisable on 06/20/03, 2,533 shares shall first become exercisable on 1/2/04, and the remaining 2,533 shares shall first become exercisable on 1/2/05 subject to the earlier termination provisions noted above.

(6) Granted under the Independent Bank Corp. 1997 Employee Stock Option Plan (1997 Plan). 2,025 shares shall first become exercisable on 06/11/04, 2,025 shares shall first become exercisable on 01/02/05, and the remaining 2,025 shall first become exercisable on 01/02/06. The Option will expire on 12/11/13 subject to the earlier termination of employment or acceleration of vesting schedule under certain termination of employee circumstances.

(7) Non-Qualified Stock Options granted under the Independent Bank Corp. 2005 Employee Stock Plan (2005 Plan). The Options granted on 12/15/05 vest immediately and will expire on December 14, 2012, unless earlier terminated in accordance with Stock Option Agreement.

(8) The options will vest in equal installments of 1,000 shares over a five-year term beginning on 2/15/2008 and thereafter on each successive anniversary date (2/15/2009 - 2/15/2012).

(9) 3,640 Options formerly reported as ISO's under the 12/9/04 grant have converted to NQO's due to an acceleration of vesting for all options granted that date. All options granted on 12/9/04 have now immediately fully vested a/o 12/15/05.

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