## Edgar Filing: OTTER TAIL CORP - Form 4

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See Instruction 50(ff) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).												
(Print or Type I	Responses)											
BROWN THOMAS M Symbol				r Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
				TAIL CO	ORP [O]	[TR]		(Check all applicable)				
				f Earliest Transaction				X Director 10% Owner				
215 S CASCADE ST 03/31/2				-				Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
(Street) 4. If Ame							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
FEDCUS	th/Day/Year)	)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting							
FERGUS F	ALLS, MN 56537	/-2801						Person	1			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit n(A) or Di (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	03/31/2005			А	159	A	\$ 25.005	7,970 <u>(1)</u>	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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				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BROWN THOMAS M								
215 S CASCADE ST	Х							
FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801								
Signatures								
/s/ Thomas M Brown by Debra J Lill -POA	11 04/04/2005							
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person		Date						
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## **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).

These shares of Common Stock were acquired under the 1999 Stock Incentive Plan at fair market value as part of the Compensation Program for Outside Directors: 1,000 shares of this total are held in "street name" through Piper Jaffray. 2,675 shares of this total are a

(1) Trogram for Outside Directors. 1,000 shares of this total are need in succer name through riper samay. 2,075 shares of this total are a grant of Restricted Stock. 825 shares of this total no longer carries the restriction. See below for other holdings: 1. 2,000 stock options with expiration date of 4/9/2010. 2. 2,000 stock options with expiration date of 4/8/2011.

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