SPIES GARY J Form 4 July 02, 2008

# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SPIES GARY J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

OTTER TAIL CORP [OTTR]

Issuer

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X Director 10% Owner

Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

215 S CASCADE ST

(Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2008

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801

(State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Other (specify

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(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

14,181.9277 D (1)

Common Stock

(City)

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 on 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 Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Share
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	06/30/2008		A	386.1501	(3)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	12,9
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 26.25					04/10/2001	04/09/2011	Common Stock	2

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SPIES GARY J						
215 S CASCADE ST	X					
FERGUS FALLS, MN 56537-2801						

# **Signatures**

/s/ Gary J Spies by Debra J Lill, Attorney-in-Fact

07/02/2008 Date

### \*\*Signature of 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) Total direct holdings include shares jointly held with spouse at Piper Jaffray and shares acquired individually through Dividend Reinvestment and pursuant to Restricted Stock Award distributions.
- (2) These are Restricted Stock Units and have no conversion or exercise price at this time.
- (3) There is no specific "Exercisable Date" on these Restricted Stock Units.
- (4) There is no specific "Expiration Date" on these Restricted Stock Units.

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