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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and AcKOECK GE	*	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OTTER TAIL CORP [OTTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)				
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner				
215 S CASCADE ST			03/09/2009	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
				Corp Secretary & Gen Counsel				
(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) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securi or(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/09/2009		S(1)	200	D	\$ 16.82	14,602.4402	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2009		S(1)	200	D	\$ 16.8	14,402.4402	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2009		S(1)	200	D	\$ 16.79	14,202.4402	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2009		S <u>(1)</u>	500	D	\$ 16.78	13,702.4402	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2009		S(1)	686	D	\$ 16.77	13,016.4402	D	

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Common Stock	03/09/2009	S <u>(1)</u>	700	D	\$ 16.76	12,316.4402	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2009	S <u>(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 16.74	12,116.4402	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2009	S(1)	72	D	\$ 16.73	12,044.4402	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2009	S(1)	100	D	\$ 16.72	11,944.4402	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2009	S(1)	342	D	\$ 16.71	11,602.4402	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2009	S(1)	800	D	\$ 16.7	10,802.4402 (2)	D	
Common Stock						755.7428	I	ESOP

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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Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transac	ctionN	umber	Expiration D		Amou		Derivative	
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	8) D	erivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	
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				Code	V (A) (D)				Shares		
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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Corp Secretary & Gen Counsel

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Signatures

/s/ George A Koeck by Debra J Lill, Attorney-in-Fact

03/09/2009

**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) These shares were sold through Merrill Lynch.
- (2) Total direct holdings include shares held in the Dividend Reinvestment Plan and shares acquired pursuant to Restricted Stock Awards and Performance Award distributions.

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