FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	OF CHANGES	S IN BENEFICIAL	<b>L OWNERSHIP</b>

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>NOLAN HOWARD H</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BRIDGE BANCORP INC [ BDGE ]										ck all applica	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer able) 10% Owner				
(Last)	(Fir	rst) (	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/27/2011								X	Officer (below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
(Street) BRIDGEHAMPTON NY 11932 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
		Tab	le I - No	n-Deriv	vative	e Se	curiti	es A	cqı	uired, I	Dis	posed	of, or B	enefic	cially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,			' I	3. Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) (S) (S) (S) (S) (S) (S) (S) (S) (S) (S				4 and Securities Beneficial Following			Form	: Direct Indirect Istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pri	ice	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				Instr. 4)	
Common 12/23/				3/2011	2011			A		3,500	0 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$		\$ <mark>0</mark>	32,952.2374(2)		D				
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date Execution Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transa Code (I 8)		of Exp		. Date Exercisable a expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Deriva Security (Instr. 3 a 4)		ative	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	es ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
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Stock options	(3)									(3)		(3)	Common	5,7	08		5,708		D	
Convertible Trust Preferred	\$31								12	/04/2009	09	/30/2039	Common	3,25	5.81		100		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents a restricted stock award. These shares vest over seven years with one third vesting in each of years five, six and seven.
- $2. \ Reflects \ transactions \ not \ required \ to \ be \ reported \ pursuant \ to \ Section \ 16 \ of \ the \ Securities \ Exchange \ Act \ of \ 1934 \ as \ amended.$
- 3. Various

## Remarks:

/s/ Howard H. Nolan

12/27/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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).

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