

MERCANTILE BANK CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
VISSER DALE J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**MERCANTILE BANK CORP
 [MBWM]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

**VISSER BROTHERS, INC., 1946
 TURNER NW**

01/10/2008

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or Price (D) | | |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2008 | | P | | 1,000 A \$ 11.85 | 57,751 ⁽¹⁾ | I Trust for family members ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2008 | | P | | 1,000 A \$ 11.9 | 58,751 | I Trust for family members ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2008 | | P | | 1,000 A \$ 11.8 | 59,751 | I Trust for family members ⁽²⁾ |
| Common | 01/10/2008 | | P | | 1,000 A \$ | 60,751 | I Trust for |

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|--------------|------------|--|---|-------|---|----------|---------|---|--|
| Stock | | | | | | 11.78 | | | family members ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2008 | | P | 2,000 | A | \$ 11.7 | 62,751 | I | Trust for family members ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2008 | | P | 1,000 | A | \$ 11.5 | 63,751 | I | Trust for family members ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2008 | | P | 1,000 | A | \$ 11.55 | 64,751 | I | Trust for family members ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2008 | | P | 1,000 | A | \$ 11.6 | 65,751 | I | Trust for family members ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2008 | | P | 500 | A | \$ 11.65 | 66,251 | I | Trust for family members ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2008 | | P | 500 | A | \$ 11.7 | 66,751 | I | Trust for family members ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 156,152 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 5,787 | I | By spouse |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 64,247 | I | Trustee and a beneficiary of charitable remainder trust ⁽³⁾ |

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)

| 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 | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo |
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Disposed
of (D)
(Instr. 3,
4, and 5)

Trans
(Instr

| Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date | Expiration | Title | Amount |
|------|---|-----|-----|-------------|------------|-------|------------------------------|
| | | | | Exercisable | Date | | or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| VISSER DALE J VISSER BROTHERS, INC. 1946 TURNER NW GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Jerome M. Schwartz
Attorney-in-fact

01/11/2008

**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) Includes shares acquired since Mr. Visser's last report of common stock ownership by reinvesting cash dividends under the issuer's dividend reinvestment plan.
 - (2) Mr. Visser disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
 - (3) Mr. Visser disclaims beneficial ownership of the issuer's common stock held by the trust except to the extent of his and his wife's pecuniary interest in the stock.

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