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x Annual Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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S&T BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation of organization) 25-1434426 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

800 Philadelphia Street, Indiana, PA (Address of principal executive offices)

15701 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (800) 325-2265

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

Common Stock, Par Value \$2.50 per share

(Title of class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant s knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this form 10-K or any amendment to this form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer x Non-accelerated filer "(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act).

Yes " No x

The aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by nonaffiliates of the registrant as of June 30, 2008:

Common Stock, \$2.50 par value \$760,793,188

The number of shares outstanding of the issuer s classes of common stock as of February 6, 2009:

Common Stock, \$2.50 par value 27,637,317 shares

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Accelerated filer " Smaller reporting company "

Yes x No "

Yes "No x

Yes x No "

Portions of the proxy statement for the annual shareholders meeting to be held April 20, 2009 are incorporated by reference into Part III.

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Part I

Item 1. BUSINESS

General

S&T Bancorp, Inc. (S&T; references to we or us refers to S&T, including on a consolidated basis with our subsidiaries where appropriate) was incorporated on March 17, 1983 under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a bank holding company and has two wholly owned subsidiaries, S&T Bank and 9th Street Holdings, Inc. S&T also owns a one-half interest in Commonwealth Trust Credit Life Insurance Company (CTCLIC). S&T is registered as a financial holding company with the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System under the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as amended (BHCA).

As of December 31, 2008, S&T had approximately \$4.4 billion in total assets, \$448.7 million in total shareholder s equity and \$3.2 billion in total deposits. S&T Bank deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to the maximum extent provided by law.

S&T Bank is a full service bank with its Main Office at 800 Philadelphia Street, Indiana, Pennsylvania, providing services to its customers through a branch network of 55 offices located in Allegheny, Armstrong, Blair, Butler, Cambria, Clarion, Clearfield, Indiana, Jefferson and Westmoreland counties of Pennsylvania.

S&T Bank s services include accepting time and demand deposit accounts, originating commercial and consumer loans, providing letters of credit, offering discount brokerage services, personal financial planning, credit card services and insurance products. Management believes that S&T Bank has a relatively stable deposit base and no material amount of deposits is obtained from a single depositor or group of depositors (including federal, state and local governments). S&T Bank has not experienced significant fluctuations in deposits.

Total wealth management assets under management were approximately \$1.3 billion at December 31, 2008. Wealth management services include services as executor and trustee under wills and deeds, as guardian and custodian of employee benefits and other trusts and brokerage services.

S&T Bank has four wholly owned subsidiaries, S&T Insurance Group, LLC, S&T Bancholdings, Inc., S&T Professional Resources Group, LLC and Stewart Capital Advisors, LLC. S&T Insurance Group, LLC, through its subsidiaries, offers a full line of commercial property and casualty insurance, group life and health coverage, employee benefit solutions, and personal insurance lines. S&T Professional Resources Group, LLC markets software developed by S&T Bank; and S&T Bancholdings, Inc. is an investment holding company; Stewart Capital Advisors, LLC, is a registered investment advisor that manages private investment accounts for individuals and institutions and advises the Stewart Capital Mutual Funds.

Capital Purchase Program

On January 16, 2009, S&T completed a \$108,676,000 capital raise as a participant in the United States Department of the Treasury (the U.S. Treasury) Voluntary Trouble Asset Relief Capital Purchase Program (the Program). In conjunction with S&T s participation in the Program, S&T issued to the U.S. Treasury 108,676 shares of S&T s Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, Series A (the Series A Preferred Stock), having a liquidation amount per share equal to \$1,000 per share, for a total price of \$108,676,000. The Series A Preferred Stock pays cumulative dividends at a rate of 5% per year for the first five years and thereafter at a rate of 9% per year. S&T may not redeem the Series A Preferred Stock during the first three years except with the proceeds from a qualified equity offering. After three years, S&T may, at its option, redeem the Series A Preferred Stock at par value plus accrued and unpaid dividends. The Series A Preferred Stock is generally non-voting. Prior to January 16, 2012, unless S&T has redeemed the Series A Preferred Stock or the U.S. Treasury has transferred the Series A Preferred Stock to

a third party, the consent of the U.S. Treasury will be required for S&T to increase its common stock dividend or repurchase its common stock or other

equity or capital securities, other than in connection with benefit plans consistent with past practice and certain other circumstances. In addition, the Series A Preferred Stock issuance includes certain restrictions on executive compensation that could limit the tax deductibility of compensation S&T pays to executive management.

As part of its purchase of the Series A Preferred Stock, the U.S. Treasury received a warrant (the Warrant) to purchase 517,012 shares of S&T s common stock at an initial per share exercise price of \$31.53. The Warrant provides for the adjustment of the exercise price and the number of shares of S&T s common stock issuable upon exercise pursuant to customary anti-dilution provisions, such as upon stock splits or distributions of securities or other assets to holders of the S&T s common stock, and upon certain issuances of S&T s common stock at or below a specified price relative to the initial exercise price. The Warrant expires ten years from the issuance date. If, on or prior to December 31, 2009, S&T receives aggregate gross cash proceeds of not less than \$108,676,000 from qualified equity offerings announced after October 13, 2008, the number of shares of common stock issuable pursuant to the U.S. Treasury s exercise of the Warrant will be reduced by one-half of the original number of shares. In addition, the U.S. Treasury has agreed not to exercise voting power with respect to any shares of common stock issued upon exercise of the Warrant.

On February 17, 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) was signed into law. Among other things, the ARRA includes new executive compensation and corporate governance restrictions that apply not only prospectively, but also retroactively, to institutions, such as S&T that have received funds under the Program. S&T is currently evaluating the effect that the ARRA executive compensation provisions will have on S&T.

Pursuant to an interim final rule issued by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System on October 16, 2008, applicable to preferred stock, the \$108,676,000 of Series A Preferred Stock issued by S&T under the Capital Purchase Program qualifies as Tier 1 capital.

Acquisition

On June 6, 2008, S&T completed the acquisition of 100 percent of the shares of IBT Bancorp, Inc. located in Irwin, Pennsylvania, (IBT) which was the sole shareholder of Irwin Bank, in a stock and cash transaction valued at approximately \$176.5 million. Pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, shareholders of IBT were entitled to elect to receive for each share of IBT common stock that they owned, either \$31.00 in cash or 0.93 of a share of S&T common stock. S&T issued 2,751,749 shares of common stock out of its treasury shares at a recorded fair value of \$91.7 million based on \$33.33 per share, which was the closing price on May 12, 2008, the day before the IBT shareholders approved the merger and paid a total of \$75.1 million in cash to the former IBT shareholders. The acquisition significantly expanded S&T s market share in the growing Allegheny and Westmoreland County markets in western Pennsylvania. The acquisition was accounted for under the purchase method, and all transactions of IBT since the acquisition date have been included in S&T s consolidated financial statements.

Employees

As of December 31, 2008, S&T and its subsidiaries had 963 full-time equivalent employees. S&T provides a variety of employment benefits and considers its relationship with its employees to be good.

Access to United States Securities and Exchange Commission Filings

All reports filed electronically by S&T with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), including our annual report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K, and our annual proxy statements, as well as any amendments to those reports, are

accessible at no cost on our website at www.stbancorp.com. These filings are also accessible on the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. You may also read and copy any material S&T files with the SEC at the SEC s Public Reference Room at 100 F Street, NE., Washington, D.C. 20549. You may obtain information on the operation of the Public Reference Room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330. S&T s charters of the Audit Committee, the Compensation and Benefits Committee, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, the Shareholders Communications Policy; and the Code of Business Conduct & Ethics are also available on S&T s website.

Supervision and Regulation

General

S&T and S&T Bank are each extensively regulated under federal and state law. The following describes certain aspects of such regulation and does not purport to be a complete description of all regulations that affect S&T or all aspects of such regulations.

To the extent statutory or regulatory provisions are described, the description is qualified in its entirety by reference to the particular statutory or regulatory provisions. Proposals to change the laws and regulations governing the banking industry are frequently raised in Congress, in state legislatures and before the various bank regulatory agencies. The likelihood and timing of any changes and the impact such changes might have on S&T or S&T Bank is impossible to determine with any certainty.

Any change in applicable laws or regulations, or in the way such laws or regulations are interpreted by regulatory agencies or courts, may have a material impact on our business, operations and earnings.

S&T

S&T is a bank holding company subject to regulation under the BHCA, and the examination and reporting requirements of the Federal Reserve System (the Federal Reserve Board). Under the BHCA, a bank holding company may not directly or indirectly acquire ownership or control of more than 5 percent of the voting shares or substantially all of the assets of any additional bank, or merge or consolidate with another bank holding company, without the prior approval of the Federal Reserve Board. S&T has received such approvals from the Federal Reserve Board for passive ownership positions in Allegheny Valley Bancorp Inc. (currently 14.85%) and CBT Financial Corporation (currently 5.37%).

As a bank holding company, S&T is expected under Federal Reserve Board policy to serve as a source of financial and managerial strength to its subsidiary bank. A bank holding company also is expected to commit resources, including capital and other funds, to support its subsidiary bank in circumstances where it might not do so absent such a policy.

S&T elected to become a financial holding company under the BHCA in 2001 and thereby engage in a broader range of financial and other activities than are permissible for traditional bank holding companies. In order to qualify and maintain its status as a financial holding company, the depository institutions controlled by S&T must remain well capitalized and well managed (as defined in federal law), and have at least a satisfactory Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) rating. S&T and S&T Bank currently satisfy these criteria. No regulatory approval is required for a financial holding company to acquire a company, other than a bank or savings association, engaged in activities that are financial in nature or incidental to activities that are financial in nature, as determined by the Federal Reserve Board. The BHCA identifies several activities as financial in nature including, among others, securities underwriting, dealing and market making; sponsoring mutual funds and investment

companies; insurance underwriting and sales agency; investment advisory activities; merchant banking activities; and activities that the Federal

Reserve Board has determined to be

closely related to banking or a proper incident thereto. Banks also may engage, subject to limitations on investment, in activities that are financial in nature, other than insurance underwriting, insurance company portfolio investment, real estate development and real estate investment, through a financial subsidiary of the bank, if the bank is well capitalized, well managed and has at least a satisfactory CRA rating.

If S&T Bank ceases to be well capitalized or well managed, S&T will not be in compliance with the requirements of the BHCA regarding financial holding companies. If a financial holding company is notified by the Federal Reserve Bank of such a change in the ratings of any of its subsidiary banks, it must take certain corrective actions within specified time frames. Furthermore, if S&T Bank were to receive a CRA rating of less than satisfactory, then S&T would be prohibited from engaging in new activities or acquiring companies other than bank holding companies, banks or savings associations until the rating is raised to satisfactory or better.

S&T is presently engaged in nonbanking activities through the following six entities: 9th Street Holdings, Inc.; S&T Bancholdings, Inc.; CTCLIC; S&T Insurance Group, LLC; S&T Professional Resources Group, LLC and Stewart Capital Advisors, LLC. 9th Street Holdings, Inc. was formed in June 1988 and S&T Bancholdings, Inc. was formed in August 2002 to hold and manage a group of investments previously owned by S&T Bank and to give S&T additional latitude to purchase other investments. CTCLIC, which is a joint venture with another financial institution, acts as a reinsurer of credit life, accident and health insurance policies sold by S&T Bank and the other institution. S&T Insurance Group, LLC distributes high-quality life insurance and long-term disability income insurance products. During 2002, S&T Insurance Group, LLC expanded into the property and casualty insurance business with the acquisition of Evergreen Insurance Associates, LLC. S&T Professional Resources Group, LLC markets software developed by S&T Bank. Stewart Capital Advisors, LLC, formed in August 2005, is a registered investment advisor that manages private investment accounts for individuals and institutions and advises the Stewart Capital Mutual Funds. S&T also is subject to the supervision and regulation of the Pennsylvania Department of Banking (PADB).

S&T Bank

As a state-chartered, commercial bank, the deposits of which are insured by the FDIC, S&T Bank is subject to the supervision and regulation of the PADB and the FDIC. S&T Bank also is subject to various requirements and restrictions under federal and state law, including requirements to maintain reserves against deposits, restrictions on the types, amount and terms and conditions of loans that may be granted, and limits on the type of other activities in which S&T Bank may engage and the investments it may make.

S&T Bank also is subject to federal laws that limit the amount of transactions between itself and S&T or S&T s nonbank subsidiaries. Under these provisions, transactions between a bank and its parent company or any single nonbank affiliate generally are limited to 10 percent of the bank subsidiary s capital and surplus, and with respect to all transactions with affiliates, are limited to 20 percent of the bank s subsidiary s capital and surplus. Further, loans and extensions of credit from a bank to an affiliate generally are required to be secured by eligible collateral in specified amounts. Federal law also imposes similar restrictions on transactions between a bank and its financial subsidiaries. A bank, such as S&T Bank, also is prohibited from purchasing any low quality asset from an affiliate. S&T Bank is in compliance with these provisions.

Insurance of Accounts; Depositor Preference

The deposits of S&T Bank are insured up to applicable limits per insured depositor by the FDIC, generally \$100,000 per separately insured depositor, and up to a maximum of \$250,000 per separately insured depositor for certain retirement accounts. Beginning in October 2008, the FDIC temporarily increased FDIC deposit insurance coverage per separately insured depositor for all account types to \$250,000 through December 31, 2009. Also in October 2008, the FDIC introduced the Temporary Liquidity Guarantee Program (TLGP), which is designed to improve the functions of the credit markets and to strengthen confidence in the financial system. The TLGP has two components (both of which involve participation fees to be paid by the participating institution): (1) a transaction account guarantee program, providing a full guaranty of non-interest bearing deposit transaction accounts, such as business payroll accounts, regardless of the amount on deposit; and (2) a debt guarantee program, providing a guarantee of certain newly issued senior unsecured debt of the Bank. S&T has elected to participate in both the transaction account guarantee program and the debt guarantee program.

As an FDIC-insured bank, S&T Bank also is subject to FDIC insurance assessments, which are imposed based upon the risk the institution poses to the Deposit Insurance Fund (DIF). Under this assessment system, risk is defined and measured using an institution s supervisory ratings with certain other risk measures, including certain financial ratios. The annual rates for 2008 for institutions range from 5 basis points for well managed, well-capitalized banks with the highest ratings, to 43 basis points for institutions posing the most risk to the DIF. These rates may be offset by a one time assessment credit held by an institution, based on the assessment base of that institution as of December 31, 1996, and in the future by dividends that may be declared by the FDIC if the deposit reserve ratio increases above a certain amount. The FDIC may raise or lower these assessment rates on a quarterly basis based on various factors to achieve a reserve ratio, which the FDIC currently has set at 1.25 percent of insured deposits.

In October 2008, in order to restore its reserve ratio and ensure that the DIF will be able to adequately cover losses from future bank failures, the FDIC proposed amendments to its deposit insurance rules to alter the way the assessment system differentiates risk among insured institutions and to change assessments rates, including base assessment rates. A uniform assessment increase for the first quarter of 2009 was adopted as a final rule in December 2008. The FDIC also proposed further base rate assessment adjustments effective April 1, 2009.

In addition to deposit insurance fund assessments, the FDIC assesses all insured deposits a special assessment to fund the repayment of debt obligations of the Financing Corporation (FICO). FICO is a government-sponsored entity that was formed to borrow the money necessary to carry out the closing and ultimate disposition of failed thrift institutions by the Resolution Trust Corporation. As of January 1, 2009, the annualized rate established by the FDIC for the FICO assessment was 1.14 basis points per \$100 of insured deposits.

Under federal law, deposits and certain claims for administrative expenses and employee compensation against insured depository institutions are afforded a priority over other general unsecured claims against such an institution, including federal funds and letters of credit, in the liquidation or other resolution of such an institution by any receiver appointed by regulatory authorities. Such priority creditors would include the FDIC.

Capital

The Federal Reserve Board and the FDIC have issued substantially similar risk-based and leverage capital guidelines applicable to banking organizations they supervise. Under the risk-based capital requirements, both S&T and S&T Bank generally are required to maintain a minimum ratio of total capital to risk-weighted assets (including certain off-balance sheet activities, such as standby letters of credit) of 8.00 percent. At least half of the total capital must be composed of common equity, retained

earnings and qualifying perpetual preferred stock, less certain intangibles of 4.00 percent (Tier 1 capital). The remainder may consist of certain subordinated debt, certain hybrid capital instruments and other qualifying preferred stock, and a limited amount of the loan loss allowance (Tier 2 capital and, together with Tier 1 capital, Total capital). At December 31, 2008, S&T s Tier 1 capital and Total capital ratios were 8.65 percent and 11.82 percent, respectively, and the ratios of Tier 1 capital and Total capital ratios for S&T Bank were 7.97 percent and 11.16 percent, respectively.

In addition, each of the federal bank regulatory agencies has established minimum leverage capital ratio requirements for banking organizations. These requirements provide for a minimum leverage ratio of Tier 1 capital to adjusted average quarterly assets equal to 3.00 percent for bank and bank holding companies that meet certain specified criteria, including that they have the highest regulatory rating and are not experiencing significant growth or expansion. All other banks and bank holding companies generally are required to maintain a leverage ratio of at least 100 to 200 basis points above the stated minimum. At December 31, 2008, S&T s leverage ratio was 7.31 percent, and S&T Bank s leverage ratio was 6.70 percent.

Both the Federal Reserve Board and the FDIC s risk-based capital standards explicitly identify concentrations of credit risk and the risk arising from non-traditional activities, as well as an institution s ability to manage these risks, as important factors to be taken into account by the agency in assessing an institution s overall capital adequacy. The capital guidelines also provide that an institution s exposure to a decline in the economic value of its capital due to changes in interest rates be considered by the agency as a factor in evaluating a bank s capital adequacy. The Federal Reserve Board also has issued additional capital guidelines for certain bank holding companies that engage in trading activities. S&T does not believe that consideration of these additional factors will affect the regulators assessment of S&T or S&T Bank s capital position.

Payment of Dividends

S&T is a legal entity separate and distinct from its banking and other subsidiaries. A substantial portion of S&T s revenues consist of dividend payments it receives from S&T Bank. S&T Bank, in turn, is subject to state laws and regulations that limit the amount of dividends it can pay to S&T. In addition, both S&T and S&T Bank are subject to various general regulatory policies relating to the payment of dividends, including requirements to maintain adequate capital above regulatory minimums. The Federal Reserve Board has indicated that banking organizations should generally pay dividends only if (1) the organization s net income available to common shareholders over the past year has been sufficient to fund fully the dividends and (2) the prospective rate of earnings retention appears consistent with the organization s capital needs, asset quality and overall financial condition. In addition, prior to January 16, 2012, unless S&T has redeemed the Series A Preferred Stock or the U.S. Treasury has transferred the Series A Preferred Stock to a third party, the consent of the U.S. Treasury is required for S&T to increase its common stock dividend or repurchase its common stock or other equity or capital securities, other than in connection with benefit plans consistent with past practice and certain other circumstances. S&T does not expect that any of these laws, regulations or policies will materially influence S&T or S&T Bank s ability to pay dividends. During the year ended December 31, 2008, S&T Bank paid \$85.6 million in cash dividends to S&T, partially to fund the IBT acquisition as well as for general corporate purposes.

Other Safety and Soundness Regulations

There are a number of obligations and restrictions imposed on bank holding companies such as S&T and its depository institution subsidiary by federal law and regulatory policy that are designed to reduce potential loss exposure to the depositors of such depository institutions and to the FDIC insurance funds in the event the depository institution becomes in danger of default or in default. Under current federal law for example, the federal banking agencies possess broad powers to take

prompt corrective action to resolve problems of insured depository institutions. The extent of these powers depends upon whether the institution in question is well capitalized, adequately capitalized, undercapitalized, significantly undercapitalized, or critically undercapitalized, as define by the law. Under regulations established by the federal banking agencies, a well capitalized institution must have a Tier 1 capital ratio of at least 6 percent, a Total capital ratio of at least 10 percent and a leverage ratio of at least 5 percent and not be subject to a capital directive or order. An adequately capitalized institution must have a Tier 1 capital ratio of at least 4 percent, a Total capital ratio of at least 8 percent and a leverage ratio of at least 4 percent, or 3 percent in some cases. As of December 31, 2008, S&T Bank was classified as well capitalized. The classification of depository institutions is primarily for the purpose of applying the federal banking agencies prompt corrective action provisions and is not intended to be and should not be interpreted as a representation of overall financial condition or prospects of any financial institution.

The federal banking agencies prompt corrective action powers (which increase depending upon the degree to which an institution is undercapitalized) can include, among other things, requiring an insured depository institution to adopt a capital restoration plan which cannot be approved unless guaranteed by the institution s parent company; placing limits on asset growth and restrictions on activities, including restrictions on transactions with affiliates; restricting the interest rates the institution may pay on deposits; prohibiting the payment of principal or interest on subordinated debt; prohibiting the holding company from making capital distributions without prior regulatory approval; and, ultimately, appointing a receiver for the institution. Among other things, only a well capitalized depository institution may accept brokered deposits without prior regulatory approval. In addition to the foregoing, current Federal Reserve Board policy with respect to bank holding company operations requires a bank holding company to serve as a source of financial strength to its subsidiary depository institutions and to commit resources to support such institutions in circumstances where it might not do so otherwise.

The federal banking agencies also have adopted guidelines prescribing safety and soundness standards relating to internal controls and information systems, internal audit systems, loan documentation, credit underwriting, interest rate exposure, asset growth and compensation, fees and benefits. In general, the guidelines require, among other things, appropriate systems and practices to identify and manage the risks and exposures specified in the guidelines. The guidelines prohibit excessive compensation as an unsafe and unsound practice and describe compensation as excessive when the amounts paid are unreasonable or disproportionate to the services performed by an executive officer, employee, director or principal shareholder. In addition, the agencies adopted regulations that authorize, but do not require, an agency to order an institution that has been given notice by an agency that it is not in compliance with any of such safety and soundness standards to submit a compliance plan. If, after being so notified, an institution fails to submit an acceptable compliance plan, the agency must issue an order directing other actions of the types to which an undercapitalized institution is subject under the prompt corrective action provisions described above.

Regulatory Enforcement Authority

The enforcement powers available to federal banking agencies are substantial and include, among other things and in addition to other powers described herein, the ability to assess civil money penalties, to issue cease-and-desist or removal orders and to initiate injunctive actions against banks and bank holding companies and institution affiliated parties, as defined in the Federal Deposit Insurance Act. In general, these enforcement actions may be initiated for violations of laws and regulations and unsafe or unsound practices. Other actions or inactions may provide the basis for enforcement action, including misleading or untimely reports filed with regulatory authorities.

The PADB also has broad enforcement powers over S&T Bank, including the power to impose fines and other civil and criminal penalties, and to appoint a conservator or receiver.

Interstate Banking and Branching

The BHCA currently permits bank holding companies from any state to acquire banks and bank holding companies located in any other state, subject to certain conditions, including certain nationwide and state-imposed deposit concentration limits. S&T Bank has the ability, subject to certain restrictions, to acquire by acquisition or merger, branches of banks located outside of Pennsylvania, its home state. The establishment of de novo interstate branches is also possible in those states where expressly permitted. Once a bank has established branches in a state through an interstate merger transaction, the bank may establish and acquire additional branches at any location in the state where a bank headquartered in that state could have established or acquired branches under applicable federal or state law.

Community Reinvestment and Consumer Protection Laws

In connection with its lending activities, S&T Bank is subject to a number of federal laws designed to protect borrowers and promote lending to various sectors of the economy and population. These include, among other laws, the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, the Truth-in-Lending Act, the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, the Fair Credit Reporting Act and the CRA. In addition, rules developed by the federal banking agencies pursuant to federal law require disclosure of privacy policies to consumers and in some circumstances, allow consumers to prevent the disclosure of certain personal information to nonaffiliated third parties.

The CRA requires the appropriate federal banking agency, in connection with its examination of a bank, to assess the bank s record in meeting the credit needs of the communities served by the bank, including low and moderate-income neighborhoods. Furthermore, such assessment also is required of any bank that has applied, among other things, to merge or consolidate with or acquire the assets or assume the liabilities of an insured depository institution, or to open or relocate a branch office. In the case of a bank holding company (including a financial holding company) applying for approval to acquire a bank or bank holding company, the Federal Reserve Board will assess the record of each subsidiary bank of the applicant bank holding company in considering the application. Under the CRA, institutions are assigned a rating of outstanding, satisfactory, needs to improve or unsatisfactory. S&T Bank was rated satisfactory in its most recent CRA evaluation.

Recent Government Actions

On October 3, 2008, the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008 (the EES Act) was signed into law. Among other things, the EES Act allocated up to \$700 billion towards purchasing and insuring troubled assets held by financial institutions for the purpose of stabilizing and providing liquidity to the U.S. financial markets. The EES Act established the basic framework and policy goals, and vested the U.S. Treasury with the authority to carry out the EES Act s purpose.

On October 14, 2008, pursuant to authority granted in under the EES Act, the U.S. Treasury announced the Program whereby the U.S. Treasury agreed to purchase senior preferred shares from qualifying U.S. financial institutions. Each participating institution may sell an amount of senior preferred shares ranging from 1.0% to 3.0% of its September 30, 2008 risk-weighted assets. The preferred shares are generally nonvoting, pay an initial dividend rate of 5.0% per year for the first five years increasing to 9.0% per year after year five, and are callable at par after three years or

sooner with the proceeds of a qualifying offering of Tier 1 perpetual preferred stock or common stock for cash. As part of the consideration for the shares, the U.S. Treasury requires the receipt of Warrants to acquire common stock from the participating institution having an aggregate market price equal to

15.0% of the amount of capital invested by the U.S. Treasury in the senior preferred shares, at an exercise price equal to the average trailing 20-trading day market price of the institution s common stock at the time of issuance. Participating institutions must agree to certain limitations on executive compensation, repurchases of junior preferred or common stock and increases in common stock dividend payments. S&T applied to participate in the Program and was approved to receive \$108,676,000 in exchange for the U.S. Treasury purchase of S&T senior preferred stock. The transaction closed on January 16, 2009.

On February 17, 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) was signed into law. Among other things, the ARRA includes new executive compensation and corporate governance restrictions that apply not only prospectively, but also retroactively, to institutions, such as S&T that have received funds under the Program. S&T is currently evaluating the effect that the ARRA executive compensation provisions will have on S&T.

Anti-Money Laundering Legislation

S&T Bank is subject to the Bank Secrecy Act and its implementing regulations and other anti-money laundering laws and regulations, including the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001. Among other things, these laws and regulations require S&T Bank to take steps to prevent the use of S&T Bank to facilitate the flow of illegal or illicit money, to report large currency transactions and to file suspicious activity reports. S&T Bank also is required to develop and implement a comprehensive anti-money laundering compliance program. Banks also must have in place appropriate know your customer policies and procedures. Violations of these requirements can result in substantial civil and criminal sanctions. In addition, provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act require the federal financial institution regulatory agencies to consider the effectiveness of a financial institution s anti-money laundering activities when reviewing bank mergers and bank holding company acquisitions.

Competition

S&T Bank competes with other local, regional and national financial service providers, such as other financial holding companies, commercial banks, savings associations, credit unions, finance companies and brokerage and insurance firms. Some of our competitors are not subject to the same level of regulation and oversight that is required of banks and bank holding companies, and thus have lower cost structures. The financial service industry is likely to become more competitive as further technological advances enable more companies to provide financial services on a more efficient and convenient basis.

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS

Investments in S&T common stock involve risk. The following discussion highlights risks management believes are material for our company, but does not necessarily include all risks that S&T may face.

The market price of S&T common stock may fluctuate significantly in response to a number of factors, including:

changes in analysts estimates of financial performance volatility of stock market prices and volumes changes in market valuations of similar companies changes in conditions in credit markets new products or services offered in the banking and/or financial services industries variations in quarterly or annual operating results

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS continued

new litigation

changes in accounting policies or procedures as may be required by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) or other regulatory agencies

Recent legislation enacted in response to market and economic conditions may significantly affect S&T s operations, financial condition and earnings.

Disruptions in the financial system during 2008 have resulted in significantly reduced business activity throughout the global and U.S. economies, which have the potential to significantly affect financial institutions. In response to this financial crisis affecting the banking system and financial markets, the EES Act was enacted, under which the U.S. Treasury was given the authority to purchase up to \$700 billion of financial institutions for the purpose of stabilizing and providing liquidity to the U.S. financial markets. Several programs have since been initiated by the U.S. Treasury, the Federal Reserve Board, and the FDIC to stabilize the financial system. The U.S. Treasury s Program was created to invest up to \$250 billion (of the \$700 billion) into banks and savings institutions of all sizes. The FDIC also is temporarily providing a 100% guarantee of the senior debt of all FDIC insured institutions, as well as deposits in non-interest bearing transaction deposit accounts under its TLGP. The Federal Reserve is initiating various asset-based secured loan programs to provide liquidity to various consumer and commercial credit markets. And a mortgage modification program has been announced that will involve various regulatory agencies. S&T and S&T Bank are participating in the U.S. Treasury s Program and the FDIC s TLGP.

Other Congressional action is expected to impose new regulations on the mortgage and consumer loan market, and to restructure the U.S. financial regulatory structure. It is not clear what impact the EES Act and its attendant programs and other liquidity, funding and economic stimulus initiatives of the federal government that may be initiated in the future, or other expected Congressional action will have on the financial markets or on the U.S. banking and financial services industries and the broader U.S. and global economies. These new laws, regulations, and changes is expected to increase our FDIC insurance premiums and may also increase our costs of regulatory compliance and of doing business, and otherwise affect our operations. They may significantly affect the markets in which we do business, the markets for and value of our investments, and our ongoing operations, costs and profitability.

Future governmental regulation and legislation could limit our growth.

S&T is subject to extensive state and federal regulation, supervision and legislation that govern nearly every aspect of our operations. The regulations are primarily intended to protect depositors, customers, and the banking system as a whole and not for the protection of shareholders. Failure to comply with applicable regulations could lead to penalties and damage to our reputation. Furthermore, the regulatory environment is constantly undergoing change and the impact of changes to laws and regulations, the interpretation of such laws or regulations, or other actions by regulatory agencies could make regulatory compliance more difficult or expensive, and thus could affect S&T s ability to deliver or expand services, or it could diminish the value of S&T s business. The ramifications and uncertainties of the recent increase in government intervention in the U.S. financial system also could adversely affect S&T. See Supervision and Regulation for additional information.

Current levels of market volatility are unprecedented.

Dramatic declines in the U.S. housing market over the past year, with falling home prices and increasing foreclosures and unemployment, have resulted in significant write-downs of asset values by other financial institutions, including government-sponsored enterprises, as well as major commercial

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS continued

and investment banks. Many lenders and institutional investors have reduced, and in some cases, ceased providing funding to borrowers, including other financial institutions, reflecting concern about the stability of financial markets, generally, and the strength of counterparties, specifically. This market turmoil and tightening of credit has led to an increased level of commercial and consumer delinquencies for financial institutions, a lack of confidence in the financial sector, and increased volatility in the financial markets. The resulting economic pressure on consumers and lack of confidence in the financial markets may adversely affect S&T s business, financial condition, and results of operations. Specifically, the difficult market conditions may result in, among other things, deterioration in credit quality and/or a reduced demand for credit, which may have a resultant effect on S&T s loan portfolio and allowance for loan losses.

Downturn in the local economies may adversely affect our business.

S&T s business is concentrated in the western Pennsylvania area. As a result, its financial condition, results of operations and cash flows are subject to changes if there are changes in the economic conditions in this area. A prolonged period of economic recession or other adverse economic conditions in this area could have a negative impact on S&T. S&T can provide no assurance that conditions in its market area economies will not deteriorate further in the future and that such deterioration would not have a material adverse effect on S&T.

The securities purchase agreement between S&T and the U.S. Treasury limits our ability to pay dividends on and repurchase our common stock.

The securities purchase agreement between S&T and the U.S. Treasury provides that prior to the earlier of (i) January 16, 2012 and (ii) the date on which all of the shares of the Series A Preferred Stock have been redeemed by S&T or transferred by the U.S. Treasury to third parties, we may not, without the consent of the U.S. Treasury: (a) increase the cash dividend on our common stock or (b) subject to limited exceptions, redeem, repurchase or otherwise acquire shares of our common stock or preferred stock other than the Series A Preferred Stock. In addition, we are unable to pay any dividends on our common stock unless we are current in our dividend payments on the Series A Preferred Stock. These restrictions, together with the potentially dilutive impact of the Warrant described in the next risk factor, could have a negative effect on the value of our common stock. Moreover, holders of our common stock are entitled to receive dividends only when, as and if declared by our Board of Directors. Although we have historically paid cash dividends on our common stock, we are not required to do so and our Board of Directors could reduce or eliminate our common stock dividend in the future.

The Series A Preferred Stock impacts net income available to our common stockholders and earnings per common share, and the Warrant we issued to the U.S. Treasury may be dilutive to holders of our common stock.

The dividends declared on the Series A Preferred Stock will reduce the net income available to common stockholders and our earnings per common share. The Series A Preferred Stock will also receive preferential treatment in the event of liquidation, dissolution or winding up of S&T Bancorp. Additionally, the ownership interest of the existing holders of our common stock will be diluted to the extent the Warrant we issued to the U.S. Treasury in conjunction with the sale to the U.S. Treasury of the Series A Preferred Stock is exercised. The shares of common stock underlying the Warrant represent approximately 1.8% of the shares of our common stock outstanding as of February 9, 2009 (including the shares issuable upon exercise of the Warrant in total shares outstanding). Although the U.S. Treasury has agreed not to vote any of the shares of common stock it receives upon exercise of the Warrant, a transferee of any portion of the Warrant or of any shares of common stock acquired upon exercise of the Warrant is not bound by this restriction.

Item 1A. RISK FACTORS continued

If S&T does not adjust to changes in the financial services industry, its financial performance may suffer.

S&T s future financial performance will depend in part on its ability to adjust to the changes in the financial services industry that are expected as a result of the financial crisis. These adjustments may include expanding its scope of available financial services to its customers, and in adjusting products and services to meet current economic conditions and comply with new federal laws and regulations. In addition to other banks, competitors include security dealers, brokers, mortgage bankers, investment advisors, and finance and insurance companies. The current environment is, in part, a result of the overall decline in economic activity, the absence of liquidity in the markets, changes in regulation, changes in technology and product delivery systems, and continued consolidation among financial service providers.

Interest rate movements impact the earnings of S&T.

S&T is exposed to interest rate risk, through the operations of its banking subsidiary, since substantially all of S&T Bank s assets and liabilities are monetary in nature. Interest rate risk arises from market driven fluctuations in interest rates that affect cash flows, income, expense and value of financial instruments. S&T Bank s earnings, like that of most financial institutions, largely depend on net interest income, which is the difference between the interest income earned on interest-earning assets, such as loans and investments, and the interest expense paid on interest-bearing liabilities, such as deposits and borrowings. In an increasing interest rate environment, the cost of funds sometimes increases more rapidly than the interest earned on the loans and securities because the primary source of funds are deposits with generally shorter maturities than the maturities on loans and investment securities. This could cause the net interest rate spread to compress and negatively impact S&T Bank s profitability.

S&T s business strategy includes growth plans through internal growth and acquisitions. Our financial condition and results of operations could be negatively affected if we fail to grow or fail to manage our growth effectively.

S&T intends to continue pursuing a profitable growth strategy. Our prospects must be considered in light of the risks, expenses and difficulties frequently encountered by companies in growth stages of development. We cannot assure you that we will be able to expand our market presence in our existing markets or successfully enter new markets or that any such expansion will not adversely affect our results of operations. Failure to manage our growth effectively could have a material adverse effect on our business, future prospects, financial condition or results of operations and could adversely affect our ability to successfully implement our business strategy. Also, if we grow more slowly than anticipated, our operating results could be materially adversely affected.

Our ability to grow successfully will depend on a variety of factors including the continued availability of desirable business opportunities, the competitive responses from other financial institutions in our market areas and our ability to manage our growth. There can be no assurance that growth opportunities will be available or that growth will be successfully managed.

Item 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

There were no unresolved comments received from the SEC regarding S&T s periodic or current reports within the last 180 days prior to December 31, 2008.

Item 2. PROPERTIES

S&T operates 55 banking offices in Allegheny, Armstrong, Blair, Butler, Cambria, Clarion, Clearfield, Indiana, Jefferson, Westmoreland and surrounding counties in Pennsylvania.

S&T owns land and banking offices at the following locations:

133 Philadelphia Street Armagh, PA	205 East Market Street	111 Resort Plaza Drive	456 Main Street Brockway, PA
15920	Blairsville, PA 15717	Blairsville, PA 15717	15824
256 Main Street	209 Allegheny Boulevard Brookville, PA 15825	100 South Chestnut Street	410 Main Street
Brookville, PA 15825		Derry, PA 15627	Clarion, PA 16214
650 Main Street	85 Greensburg Street Delmont, PA 15626	200 Patchway Road Duncansville, PA 16635	614 Liberty Boulevard DuBois, PA 15801
Clarion, PA 16214			
196 Industrial Park Ebensburg, PA 15931	35 West Scribner Avenue DuBois, PA 15801	34 North Main Street Homer City, PA 15748	420 Pleasantview Drive & Armstrong Street
			Ford City, PA 16226
920 Fifth Avenue	701 East Pittsburgh Street	225 Lucerne Road Lucernemines, PA 15754	2175 Route 286 South Indiana, PA 15701
Ford City, PA 16226	Greensburg, PA 15601		
100 South Fourth Street Youngwood, PA 15697	501 Philadelphia Street Indiana, PA 15701	2190 Hulton Road Verona, PA 15147	4385 Old Wm. Penn Hwy Monroeville, PA 15146
4251 Old Wm. Penn Hwy Murrysville, PA 15668	628 Broad Street	539 West Mahoning Street	12262 Frankstown Road Pittsburgh, PA 15235
	New Bethlehem, PA 16242	Punxsutawney, PA 15767	
301 Unity Center Road Pittsburgh, PA 15239	7660 Saltsburg Road Pittsburgh, PA 15239	30 Towne Center Drive Leechburg, PA 15656	232 North Hampton Avenue
			Punxsutawney, PA 15767
418 Main Street Reynoldsville, PA 15851	602 Salt Street	800 Philadelphia Street Indiana, PA 15701	355 North Fifth Street Indiana, PA 15701
	Saltsburg, PA 15681		
9350 Lincoln Highway Irwin, PA 15642	4021 Route 130		
	Irwin, PA 15642		

S&T leases land where S&T owns the banking offices and remote ATM buildings at the following locations:

8th & Merle Street

2320 Route 286 Pittsburgh, PA 15239 835 Hospital Road Indiana, PA 15701 1077 Freeport Road Pittsburgh, PA 15238

Clarion, PA 16214			
1107 Wayne Avenue Indiana, PA	1100 Logan Boulevard Altoona,	229 Westmoreland Drive,	220 New Castle Road Butler,
15701	PA 16602		PA 16001
		Route 30	
		Greensburg, PA 15601	
4580 Broadway Boulevard	4548 Broadway Boulevard	12550 Perry Highway Wexford,	2003 Lincoln Way
Monroeville, PA 15146		PA 15090	
	Monroeville, PA 15146		White Oak, PA 15131
1100 Lowry Avenue Jeannette, PA 15644			

Item 2. PROPERTIES continued

S&T leases land and banking offices at the following locations:

3884 Route 30 East Latrobe, PA 15650	6306 Forbes Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15217	DuBois Mall 5522 Shaffer Road, Suite 99	Coral Reef & Crooked Island Roads DuBois, PA 15801
		DuBois, PA 15801	
2388 Route 286	324 North Fourth Street Indiana, PA 15701	Shadyside Village	Two Gateway Center 603 Stanwix Street,
Holiday Park, PA 15239		820 South Aiken Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15232	Suite 125
			Pittsburgh, PA 15222
3100 Oakland Avenue Indiana, PA 15701	12 Hilltop Plaza Kittanning, PA 16201	309 Main Street	2000 Penny Lane Jeannette, PA 15644
		Irwin, PA 15642	
2001 Lincoln Way	4589 Route 136 Greensburg, PA 15601	20 North Pennsylvania Avenue	
White Oak, PA 15131		Greensburg, PA 15601	

Item 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

The nature of our business generates a certain amount of litigation involving matters arising in the ordinary course of business. However, in management s opinion, there are no proceedings pending to which S&T is a party or to which our property is subject, which, if determined adversely to S&T, would be material in relation to our shareholders equity or financial condition. In addition, no material proceedings are pending nor are known to be threatened or contemplated against us by governmental authorities or other parties.

Item 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

There were no matters during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year covered by this report that were submitted to a vote of our security holders through solicitation of proxies or otherwise.

PART II

Item 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED SHAREHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

STOCK PRICES AND DIVIDEND INFORMATION

S&T s common stock is listed on the NASDAQ Global Select Market System (NASDAQ) under the symbol STBA. The range of sale prices for the years 2008 and 2007 is set forth in the table below and is based upon information obtained from NASDAQ. As of the close of business on January 31, 2009, there were 3,240 shareholders of record of S&T. Dividends paid by S&T are primarily provided from S&T Bank s dividends to S&T. The payment of dividends by S&T Bank to S&T is subject to the restrictions described in Note L to the Consolidated Financial Statements and Payment of Dividends on page 8. The cash dividends declared shown below represent the historical per share amounts for S&T Common Stock.

2008		Price Range of Common Stock Low High		Cash Dividends Declared	
Fourth Quarter	\$ 25.37	\$ 38.22	\$	0.31	
Third Quarter	25.00	47.09		0.31	
Second Quarter	29.04	35.58		0.31	
First Quarter	25.78	34.09		0.31	
2007					
Fourth Quarter	\$ 27.22	\$ 34.58	\$	0.31	
Third Quarter	29.78	36.46		0.30	
Second Quarter	31.55	33.97		0.30	
First Quarter	31.90	35.58		0.30	

Item 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED SHAREHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES continued

FIVE-YEAR CUMULATIVE TOTAL RETURN

The following chart compares the cumulative total shareholder return on S&T Common Stock with the cumulative total shareholder return of the NASDAQ Composite Index and