

SHUSTER ROBERT N  
 Form 4  
 April 21, 2003  
 SEC Form 4

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| <p align="center"><b>FORM 4</b></p> <p>[ ] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).</p> | <p><b>UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION</b></p> <p>Washington, D.C. 20549</p> <p><b>STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP</b></p> <p>Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940</p> | <p align="center">OMB APPROVAL</p> <hr/> <p>OMB Number: 3235-0287<br/>                 Expires: January 31, 2005<br/>                 Estimated average burden hours per response: . . . . 0.5</p> |
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| <p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</p> <p><b>Shuster, Robert N.</b></p> <hr/> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br/> <b>7778 Strawberry Lane NE</b></p> <hr/> <p>(Street)<br/> <b>Belmont, MI 49306--</b></p> <hr/> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)<br/> <b>USA</b></p> | <p>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p><b>Independent Bank Corporation IBCP</b></p> <hr/> <p>3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)</p> | <p>4. Statement for (Month/Year)</p> <p align="center"><b>April 2003</b></p> <hr/> <p>5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)</p> | <p>6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p align="center">(Check all applicable)</p> <p>_____ Director _____ 10%</p> <p>Owner _____</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer _____</p> <p>Other _____</p> <p>Officer/Other Description <b>Executive Vice President and CFO</b></p> <hr/> <p>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual Filing</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Joint/Group Filing</p> |
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| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |                                      |   |  |   |   |   |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code and Voluntary Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|  |                                      | Code   V  | Amount   A/D<br>  Price  |   |   |   |
|  |                                      |   |  |   |   |   |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.  
 \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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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  | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable(DE) and Expiration | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Number of Derivative Securities | 10. Ownership | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial |
|  |                           |                     |                |                         |  |                                   |                        |                                    |               |                                   |

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| (Instr. 3)                                       | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year)  | Code and Voluntary (V) Code (Instr.8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3,4 and 5) | Date(ED) (Month/Day/Year)          | Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)            | Security (Instr.5) | Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr.4) | Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | Ownership (Instr.4) |
|--|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|--------------------|--|---|---------------------|
| <b>Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) 4/03</b> | <b>\$21.140</b>              | <b>04/17/2003</b> | <b>A I</b>                            | <b>(A)<br/>2,500.00</b>                                       | <b>04/17/2004  <br/>04/17/2013</b> | <b>Common<br/>Stock -<br/>2,500.00</b> | <b>\$21.140</b>    | <b>2,500.00</b>                              | <b>D</b>  |                     |
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Explanation of Responses :

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts **/s/ Robert N. Shuster** constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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 \*\* Signature of Reporting Person  
 Date

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