

ABERNETHY ROBERT C  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 ABERNETHY ROBERT C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 PEOPLES BANCORP OF NORTH CAROLINA INC [PEBK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 518 WEST C STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/16/2010

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Chairman of the Board

NEWTON, NC 28658  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/09/2010		L	V 50.004 A \$ 5.2783	139,043.8422	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2010		L	V 116.76 A \$ 5.2735	139,160.6022	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2010		L	V 135.192 A \$ 5.4267	139,295.7942	D	
Common Stock	03/16/2010		P	1,000 A \$ 5.34	140,295.7942	D	
Common Stock					23,026	I	Custodian of Daughter

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Common Stock	5,530.1097	I	Wife
Common Stock	1,897.2441	I	Custodian of Stepson

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 Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ABERNETHY ROBERT C 518 WEST C STREET NEWTON, NC 28658	X		Chairman of the Board	

## Signatures

Robert C. Abernethy  
03/17/2009

\_\_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).

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