#### LYNCH ROBERT P

Form 4

February 20, 2009

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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(City)

(State)

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(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Add LYNCH ROB	*	ing Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ameris Bancorp [ABCB]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
P.O. BOX 3668			(Month/Day/Year) 02/19/2009	X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Che			
MOULTRIE, GA 31776			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative (	Secur	ities Acc	quired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi n(A) or Di (D)		•	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
msu. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	(A)	5)	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common	02/19/2009		P	1,000	A	\$ 5.79	42,692.6732	D	
Common	02/20/2009		P	7,700	A	\$ 5.92	50,392.6732	D	
Common							1,621	I	Spouse

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/		Underly Securiti (Instr. 3	ying ies	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LYNCH ROBERT P							
P.O. BOX 3668	X						

## **Signatures**

**MOULTRIE, GA 31776** 

Robert P. Lynch, by Cara P. Horne, Attorney-In-Fact 02/20/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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