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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

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value

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NOLAN JOSEPH R JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol NORTHEAST UTILITIES [ES]

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES, 300

04/10/2015

below)

CADWELL DRIVE

(Street)

SVP-Corporate Relations 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

below)

SPRINGFIELD, MA 01104

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	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)
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	04/10/2015		F	19,354 (1)	, ,	\$ 49.96	37,175 <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Shares, \$5.00 par							16,109 (3)	I	401k Plan

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	s I		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Phantom Shares	<u>(4)</u>			Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	Amount or Number of Shares 51,045	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		N	ciationships	
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Deletionship

NOLAN JOSEPH R JR

C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES
300 CADWELL DRIVE
SPRINGFIELD, MA 01104

SVP-Corporate

Relations

Signatures

/s/ Kerry J. Tomasevich, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Nolan

04/14/2015

**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) Shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligation.
- (2) Includes restricted share units and dividend equivalents thereon.
- (3) Shares held in trust under the Northeast Utilities Service Company 401k Plan, a qualified plan, according to information supplied by the Plan's record keeper.
- (4) Reporting Person's deferred compensation under the Northeast Utilities Deferred Compensation Plan for Executives, a non-qualified deferred compensation plan, that is nominally invested as common shares. Each phantom share represents the right to receive the cash

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value of one NU common share upon a distribution event, following vesting. Additional phantom shares are issued upon the automatic reinvestment of dividend-equivalents exempt from line item reporting under SEC Rule 16a-11.

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