NORTHEAST UTILITIES

Form 4 January 17, 2014

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VAN FAASEN WILLIAM C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle) NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

below)

(Check all applicable)

Trustee

below)

10% Owner __X__ Other (specify

C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES, ONE FEDERAL

STREET, BUILDING 111-4

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

Officer (give title

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

01/15/2014

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SPRINGFIELD, MA 01105

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

Shares, 01/15/2014 \$5.00 par value

2,381

\$0 6,475 (2)

D

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, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Shares	(3)					<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	27,732 (3)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VAN FAASEN WILLIAM C C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES ONE FEDERAL STREET, BUILDING 111-4 SPRINGFIELD, MA 01105

Trustee

Signatures

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

01/17/2014

**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) Restricted share units that will vest on January 16, 2014, receipt of which has been deferred. Distribution will be made on a one-for-one basis in Common Shares on the 10th business day of January of the year following the reporting person's retirement from Board services.
- (2) The reporting person's total includes restricted share units and shares, receipt of all of which has been deferred, and dividend equivalents thereon.
- Reporting Person's deferred compensation under the NSTAR Trustees' Deferred Plan, a non-qualified plan, which was merged into the NU Deferred Compensation Plan effective January 1, 2014, which deferred compensation is nominally invested as common shares. Each phantom share represents the right to receive one NU Common share upon a distribution event, following vesting. Additional phantom shares are issued upon the automatic reinvestment of dividend equivalents exempt from the line item reporting under SEC Rule 16a-11.

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