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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 5

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(Print or Type Responses)

C/O NORTHEAST

(Last)

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

(First)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

03/13/2014

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title . below)

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(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

SPRINGFIELD, MA 01105

UTILITIES, ONE FEDERAL

STREET, BUILDING 111-4

(City)	(State)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		sed of 4 and (A) or	` '	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	03/13/2014		S	5,942	D	\$ 44.6248 (1)	52,948 (2)	D		
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value							15,294 (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)	Execution Date, if TransactionNumber any Code of Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivati Securitic Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3)		orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed	;		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Shares	<u>(4)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	48,984 (<u>4)</u>	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NOLAN JOSEPH R JR C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES ONE FEDERAL STREET, BUILDING 111-4 SPRINGFIELD, MA 01105

SVP-Corporate Relations

Signatures

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

03/17/2014

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$44.62 to \$44.625, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Northeast Utilities, any security holder of Northeast Utilities, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding number of shares sold within the range set forth above.
- (2) Includes restricted share units and dividend equivalents thereon.

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- (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.
- 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 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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