

JUDGE JAMES J
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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 *
JUDGE JAMES J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/17/2012

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
EVP & CFO

C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES, ONE FEDERAL STREET, BUILDING 111-4

(Street)

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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SPRINGFIELD, MA 01105

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 | (D) | Price |
| Common Shares, \$5.00 par value | 10/17/2012 | | M | | 52,480 | A | \$ 28.12 |
| Common Shares, \$5.00 par value | 10/17/2012 | | M | | 39,360 | A | \$ 24.74 |
| Common Shares, \$5.00 par value | 10/17/2012 | | M | | 48,544 | A | \$ 25.93 |

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| value | | | | | | | | |
| Common Shares, \$5.00 par value | 10/17/2012 | M | 39,360 | A | \$ 26.9 | 368,804 | D | |
| Common Shares, \$5.00 par value | 10/17/2012 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 179,744 | D | \$ 39.5 | 189,060 | D | |
| Common Shares, \$5.00 par value | 10/17/2012 | M | 34,581 | A | \$ 39.49 | 223,641 | D | |
| Common Shares, \$5.00 par value | 10/17/2012 | D ⁽²⁾ | 34,581 | D | \$ 39.49 | 189,060 | D | |
| Common Shares, \$5.00 par value | | | | | | 20,927 | 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. 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) | | |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 28.12 | 10/17/2012 | | M | 52,480 | 05/03/2010 05/03/2017 | Common Shares, \$5.00 par value | 52,480 | |

