VAN FAASEN WILLIAM C

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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

(Last)

(First) (Middle) NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU]

(Check all applicable)

C/O NORTHEAST

UTILITIES, ONE FEDERAL STREET, BUILDING 111-4

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 07/17/2012

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

below) below) Trustee

(Street)

(State)

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

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)

Transaction(s)

(A) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

value

(City)

Shares, 07/17/2012 \$5.00 par

1,434

\$0 1.434

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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and A	Amount of	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration Date		Underlying Securities		Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day	/Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e				(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities					
	Security				Acquired					
					(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
									Amount	
						Date	Expiration	Title	or	
						Exercisable	Date	litte	Number	
				Code V	(A) (D)				of Shares	
								Common		
Phantom	(2)					(2)	(2)	Shares,	26,186	
Shares	<u>(2)</u>					(2)	(2)	\$5.00 par	(2)	
								value	_	
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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/ Jeffrey C. Miller, attorney-in-fact for William C. Van Faasen

07/19/2012

**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).

Restricted share units all of which vest on January 10, 2013, unless the Reporting Person's service as a Trustee terminates for any reason other than cause on a date prior to January 10, 2013, in which case the RSUs will vest (i) in their entirety for Trustees age 65 and over on

- (1) such date, or (ii) prorated for service as a Trustee in the nine months preceding January 10, 2013 for any person who ceases to be Trustee prior to attaining the age of 65 on such date (and the balance of the unvested RSUs will be forfeited). The RSUs will be forfeited if the Reporting Person's service as a Trustee terminates for cause.
- Reporting Person's deferred compensation under the NSTAR Trustee Deferred Plan, a non-qualified plan, that is nominally invested as common shares. Each phantom share represents the right to receive the cash 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 the line item reporting under SEC rule 16a-11.

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