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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 * NOLAN JOSEPH R JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU]

(Check all applicable)

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(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/04/2014

Director _X__ Officer (give title

below)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES, ONE FEDERAL

STREET, BUILDING 111-4

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

SPRINGFIELD, MA 01105

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly 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. Securi onAcquirec Disposed (Instr. 3,	d (A) od of (D) 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	02/04/2014		A	4,800 (1)	A		59,505 <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value							15,106 <u>(3)</u>	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. 6. Date Exercisable and Date of Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		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 (4)	

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

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Signatures

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

02/06/2014

**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).
- Grant of restricted share units (RSUs) which vests in three equal portions on February 4, 2015, 2016, and 2017. Restricted share units are distributable in Northeast Utilities common shares on a one-for-one basis. RSU holders are entitled to receive dividend equivalents, exempt from line item reporting under SEC Rule 16a-11, to the same extent dividends are paid on common shares.
- (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 NSTAR Deferred 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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