EVERSOURCE ENERGY

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Olivier Leon J Issuer Symbol **EVERSOURCE ENERGY [ES]** (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title C/O EVERSOURCE ENERGY, 107 02/17/2017 below) SELDEN STREET EVP- Energy Strategy/Bus. Dev. (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

BERLIN, CT 06037

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	02/17/2017		F	1,255	D	\$ 55.95	149,021 (2)	D	
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	02/17/2017		F	1,638	D	\$ 55.95 (1)	147,383 (2)	D	
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	02/17/2017		F	1,485	D	\$ 55.95 (1)	145,898 (2)	D	

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Common Shares, \$5.00 par value

 $4,162 \frac{(3)}{}$

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By 401(k) Plan Trustee

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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 Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)

5. TransactionNumber Code of (Instr. 8) Derivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

Underlying Securities

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price of Derivative (Instr. 3 and 4) Security (Instr. 5)

Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

> Date Expiration Exercisable Date

or Number

Amount

of Shares

Phantom Shares

<u>(4)</u>

(4)

(4)

Common Shares, \$5.00 par value

4,005 (4)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Code V (A) (D)

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Olivier Leon J C/O EVERSOURCE ENERGY 107 SELDEN STREET BERLIN, CT 06037

EVP- Energy Strategy/Bus. Dev.

Signatures

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

02/22/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reporting Owners 2

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- * 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) Shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligation.
- (2) Includes restricted share units and dividend equivalents thereon.
- (3) Shares held in trust under the Eversource 401k Plan, a qualified plan, according to information supplied by the Plan's record keeper.
- Reporting Person's deferred compensation under the Eversource Deferred Compensation Plan, a non-qualified deferred compensation plan, that is nominally invested as common shares. Each phantom share represents the right to receive one Eversource Energy common
- (4) plan, that is nominally invested as common shares. Each phantom share represents the right to receive one Eversource Energy 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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