

Farrell Kathleen Anne  
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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 \*  
 Farrell Kathleen Anne

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NELNET INC [NNI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 121 SOUTH 13TH STREET, SUITE 201

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 06/24/2011

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

(Street)  
 LINCOLN, NE 68508

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Underlying Securities

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr.)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	(1)	06/24/2011	A	4,897				(2)	(2)			Class A Common Stock	4,897	\$

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Farrell Kathleen Anne 121 SOUTH 13TH STREET SUITE 201 LINCOLN, NE 68508	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Angie R. Miller, Attorney-in-Fact for Kathleen A. Farrell

07/13/2011

\_\_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).

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The shares of phantom stock were granted pursuant to the issuer's Directors Stock Compensation Plan. They will become payable in shares of Class A Common Stock at the time of termination of the reporting person's service as a member of the issuer's Board of

(2) Directors. The shares will be payable in a lump sum at the time of termination of the reporting person's service as a member of the issuer's Board, or in up to five annual installments, commencing at the time of termination of the reporting person's service on the issuer's Board, as elected by the reporting person.

(3) Includes a total of 625 securities acquired since June 30, 2009 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the issuer's Directors Stock Compensation Plan.

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