

NORTHEAST UTILITIES

Form 4

January 30, 2013

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MAY THOMAS J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

SPRINGFIELD, MA 01105

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU]

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

01/28/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

President, CEO & Trustee

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 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)
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	01/28/2013		F	(A) or (D) 29,268 (1)	\$ 40.25	342,286 (2)	D
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value					61,931 (3)	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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Shares	(4)							(4)	(4)	Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	826,182 (4)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MAY THOMAS J
C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES
ONE FEDERAL STREET, BUILDING 111-4
SPRINGFIELD, MA 01105

President, CEO & Trustee

Signatures

/s/ Richard J Morrison, attorney-in-fact for
Mr. May

01/30/2013

__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).

(1) Disposition of deferred shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations upon distribution of deferred shares and dividend equivalent thereon.

(2) Includes unvested deferred shares, which include dividend equivalents upon distribution, exempt from the line item reporting under SEC Rule 16a-11.

(3) Includes shares acquired through the NSTAR 401(k) Plan, including dividend equivalents.

(4)

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Phantom shares held in the NSTAR Deferred Compensation Plan. Each phantom share represents the right to receive one common share upon distribution, following vesting. The reporting person is eligible to receive dividend equivalents on outstanding phantom shares, exempt from the line item reporting under SEC Rule 16a-11.

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