Olivier Leon J Form 4 November 28, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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 NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES, 56 11/26/2012 below) PROSPECT STREET Executive VP and COO (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

HARTFORD, CT 06103

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - No	on-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) tionor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(IIISU: 4)	
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	11/26/2012		G	V	2,105	D	\$ 0	176,977 <u>(1)</u>	D	
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	11/26/2012		S		2,370	D	\$ 38.0093	174,607 (1)	D	
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value								2,448 (3)	I	By 401(k) Plan Trustee

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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	S	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	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	2,987 (4)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Olivier Leon J								
C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES			Executive					
56 PROSPECT STREET			VP and COO					

Signatures

HARTFORD, CT 06103

/s/Leon J. Olivier By: O. Kay Comendul/POA

**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) Includes restricted share units and dividend equivalents thereon.
- (2) The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$37.99 to \$39.021, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Northeast Utilities, any security holder of Northeast Utilities, or the staff

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of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

- (3) Shares held in trust under the Northeast Utilities Service Company 401k Plan, a qualified plan, according to information supplied by the plan's recordkeeper.
- Matching contributions on reporting person's deferred compensation under the Northeast Utilities Deferred Compensation Plan for Executives, a non-qualified deferred compensation plan, that are 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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