BOOTH RICHARD H Form 4 January 06, 2003

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting				uer Name <b>a</b>	nd Tick	er or Tra	ıding	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all					
Person*			Symb						applicable)				
Booth Richard H.				ORTHEA	ST UT	ILITIE	S (NU)	X Direc		10% Owner			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity			4. Statement for Month/Day/Year		Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)					
c/o Northeast Utilities			(voluntary)			01/02/2003		*Trustee					
107 Sel	107 Selden Street												
(Street)			I I					7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
Berlin,	CT	06037				(Month/I	Month/Day/Year)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
								(City)	(State)	(Zip)			
								Table I	Non-Derivative Se of, or Benefici	curities Acquired, Disposed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2.Trans- action Date (Month/ Da Year)	2A. Deen Execut Date,if ar y/ (Month/D Year)	ion y	action	Disposo (D)	ed (A) or ed of	5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned Fo Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 &	ly ollowing ons(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)  Code			

		_	_	_	_	_	
						Amount	
						(A) or (D)	
						Price	
						Common Shares, \$5 par value	
						1/2/2003	
						A	
						1,000 shs	
						A	
						\$15.49	
						3,539 shs See Note 1	
						D	
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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## FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Security	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Transaction Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	;- 1	5. Number of Deriva Securi Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D)	er ative ities red	and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Securities			Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Owner- ship Form	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	$\overline{}$	(Instr. 4 & 5) (A)	(D)	Exer-cisable	Expira- tion Date		Amount or Number of Shares		, , ,	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Options to Purchase	\$18.45	2/26/2002		A	V	2,500			2012	NU Common Shares, \$5 par	2,500	N/A	5,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Note 1. Includes shares receipt of which has been deferred.

Note 2. 50 percent on 2/26/2002, 50 percent on 2/26/2003.

/s/ Richard H. Booth, By: O. Kay Comendul/POA Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

<sup>\*</sup> If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

<sup>\*\*</sup>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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