GRISE CHERYL W Form 4 February 04, 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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Person*	Address of Repo	Symbol	r Name a			J	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director10% Owner					
Grisé (Last)	3. I.R.S. Number	. Identific r of Repo	ation rting	4. Statement for		Sofficer (give title below) Other (specify below)						
c/o Nor 107 Selo	Person, if an entity (voluntary)			1/31/2003		President - Utility Group and Director and Officer of certain subsidiaries						
Berlin,	(Street)  Berlin, CT 06037							7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
								(City)	(State)	(Zip)		
								Table I	of, or Benefic	curities Acquired, Disposed ially Owned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2.Trans- action Date (Month/ Day Year)	2A. Deem Execut Date,if an (Month/D Year)	ion a y C		Dispose (D)	ed (A) or ed of	5. Amount Securities Beneficiall Owned Fo Reported Transactic (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		

			V
			Amount
			(A) or (D)
			Price
			Common Shares, \$5 par value
			3,080 shs See Note 1
			I
			By 401k Trustee
			Common Shares, \$5 par value
			1/31/2003
			A
			403 shs
			See Note 2
			A N/A
			1,085 shs
			See Note 2
			Deferred Comp Plan

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			Common Shares, \$5 par value
			2/23/2002
			F
			v
			616 shs See Note 3
			D
			\$18.60
			Common Shares, \$5 par value
			2/25/2002
			A
			v
			4,844 shs See Note 4
			A
			\$18.58 19,118 shs
			D
			Common Shares, \$5 par value

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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 (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Transaction Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/	Trans- action Code (Instr.	of Derivative	and Expiration	Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	1 C I I E C (
			Day/ Year)		of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)				Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	(1) (Instr. 4)	

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

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			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Exer-cisable	Expira- tion Date		Amount or Number of Shares			
Options to Purchase	\$18.58	2/25/2002	A	V	39,600				NU Common Shares, \$5 par	39,600	N/A	171,228	D

Explanation of Responses:

Note 1. Shares held in trust under the Northeast Utilities Service Company 401k Plan, a qualified plan, as of January 31, 2003, according to information suppled by the plan's recordkeeper.

Note 2. Shares receipt of which has been deferred pursuant to the Northeast Utilities Deferred Compensation Plan for Executives, as of January 31, 2003, according to information supplied by the plan's recordkeeper. Acquisition is exempt under Rule 16b-3(d)(3).

Note 3. Disposition of restricted shares to satisfy tax obligation upon vesting.

Note 4. Grant of restricted shares, vesting one-third on each of 2/25/2003, 2/25/2004, and 2/25/2005.

Note 5. One-third on each of 2/25/2003, 2/25/2004, and 2/25/2005.

/s/ Cheryl W. Grisé
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

February 3, 2003
Date

\*\*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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