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Form 4

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

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/03/2015

C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES, 300 **CADWELL DRIVE**

(First)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Officer (give title __X__ Other (specify

Chrmn of Bd, President & CEO / Trustee

below)

10% Owner

Issuer

below)

Director

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January 31,

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu			uired, 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	02/03/2015		A	50,100 (1)	A	\$0	370,633 (2)	D		
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	02/04/2015		F	14,361 (3)	D	\$ 55.8	356,272 <u>(2)</u>	D		
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value							65,794 <u>(4)</u>	I	401k Plan	

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transacti Code	5. orNumber of	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	e`s	2 ()	(msa. 3 ma	.,	(Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Shares	<u>(5)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	884,423 (<u>5)</u>	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MAY THOMAS J C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES 300 CADWELL DRIVE SPRINGFIELD, MA 01104

Chrmn of Bd, President & CEO Trustee

Signatures

/s/ Kerry J. Tomasevich, attorney-in-fact for Mr. May

02/05/2015

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- Grant of restricted share units (RSUs) which vests in three equal portions on February 3, 2016, 2017, and 2018. Restricted share units are
- (1) distributable in Northeast Utilities common shares on a one-for-one basis. RSU holders are entitled to receive dividend equivalents, exempt from line item reporting under SEC Rule 16a-11, to the same extent dividends are paid on common shares.
- (2) Includes restricted share units and dividend equivalents thereon.

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- (3) Shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligation.
- (4) Shares held in trust under the Northeast Utilities Service Company 401k Plan, a qualified plan, according to information supplied by the Plan's record keeper.
- Reporting Person's deferred compensation under the Northeast Utilities Deferred Compensation Plan for Executives, a non-qualified deferred compensation plan, that is 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 line item reporting under SEC Rule 16a-11.

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