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Common

\$5.00 par

Common Shares,

\$5.00 par value

12/01/2014

Shares,

value

December 02, 2014

OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 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 JUDGE JAMES 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, 300 11/28/2014 below) below) CADWELL DRIVE **EVP & CFO** (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting SPRINGFIELD, MA 01104 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionr Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) **Following** or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common \$ Shares. 11/28/2014 S 46,000 D 50.4922 165,366 ⁽²⁾ D \$5.00 par (1) value

S

3,600

\$

(3)

50.4078

 $161,766 \frac{(2)}{}$

 $22,346 \frac{(4)}{}$

D

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D

401k Plan

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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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transac | | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | |
|------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------------|---|--|--|--------------------------------------|
| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8 | of | (Month/Day, e | | (Instr. 3 and | | Derivative Security (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 | 79,203 (5) | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JUDGE JAMES J C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES 300 CADWELL DRIVE SPRINGFIELD, MA 01104

EVP & CFO

Signatures

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

Judge

12/02/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$50.42 to \$50.60, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Northeast Utilities, any security holder of Northeast Utilities, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth above.

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- (2) Includes restricted share units and dividend equivalents thereon.
- The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$50.19 to \$50.60, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Northeast Utilities, any security holder of Northeast Utilities, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth above.
- (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 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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