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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

\$5.00 par

value

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * McHale David R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES, 56 PROSPECT STREET		LITIES, 56	02/03/2015	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
HADTEODD.	CT 06103	2	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
HARTFORD, CT 06103				Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	,	^	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	02/03/2015		A	9,800 (1)	A	\$ 0	161,593 <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Shares,							7,377 (3)	I	By 401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Trustee

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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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	Securitie Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3,	(Month/Day ve es d	Date	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Phantom Shares	<u>(4)</u>			Code V	4, and 5	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	Amount or Number of Shares 1,092	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
McHale David R			EVD 1				
C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES			EVP and				
56 PROSPECT STREET			Chief				
HARTFORD CT 06103			Admin Off				

Signatures

/s/ Kerry J. Tomasevich, attorney-in-fact for Mr. 02/05/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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 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.

(3)

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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.

(4) 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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