

EVERSOURCE ENERGY  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BUTH JAY S.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O EVERSOURCE ENERGY, 107 SELDEN STREET

(Street)

BERLIN, CT 06037

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
EVERSOURCE ENERGY [ES]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/23/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP, Controller, Chief Acct Off

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	02/23/2017		A		2,256 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$ 0 14,732 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	02/23/2017		F		999 <sup>(3)</sup> D \$ 56.15 13,733 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Shares, \$5.00 par value						I	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)

Table with 10 columns: 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8), 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5), 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year), 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4), 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5), 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5), 10. Number of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4).

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 main columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Relationships sub-columns: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other.

Signatures

/s/ Kerry J. Tomasevich, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Buth 02/27/2017

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
(1) Performance shares and dividend equivalent shares for the 2014-2016 Long-Term Incentive Program as determined on February 23, 2017.
(2) Includes 50 shares held jointly with his spouse, restricted share units, deferred restricted share units, and dividend equivalents thereon.
(3) Shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligation.
(4) Shares held in trust under the Eversource 401k Plan, a qualified plan, according to information supplied by the Plan's record keeper.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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