## Edgar Filing: STACK JOHN P - Form 4

| Check this box<br>if no longer<br>subject to<br>Section 16.<br>Form 4 or<br>Form 5<br>obligations<br>may continue<br><b>STATEMENT</b><br><b>STATEMENT</b><br><b>STATEMENT</b> | TES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE (<br>Washington, D.C. 20549<br>TOF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OW<br>SECURITIES<br>to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchang<br>he Public Utility Holding Company Act o<br>(h) of the Investment Company Act of 194 | NERSHIP OF<br>NERSHIP OF<br>See Act of 1934,<br>f 1935 or Section<br>Number: 3235-0287<br>Number: January 31,<br>2005<br>Estimated average<br>burden hours per<br>response 0.5                         |
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| (Print or Type Responses)   |  |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person<br>STACK JOHN P   | <ul> <li>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading<br/>Symbol</li> <li>NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU]</li> </ul>  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) NORTHEAST UTILITIES, 107 SELDEN STREET  | <ul><li>3. Date of Earliest Transaction</li><li>(Month/Day/Year)</li><li>03/01/2005</li></ul>  | Director 10% Owner<br>X Officer (give title Other (specify<br>below) below)<br>Vice Pres. & Controller   |
| (Street)<br>BERLIN, CT 06037  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)   | <ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>                  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc  | uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned  |
| (Instr. 3) any  | Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired<br>ution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)<br>uth/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)<br>(A)<br>or<br>Code V Amount (D) Price   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct7. Nature of<br>IndirectBeneficially<br>Owned(D) orBeneficialOwnedIndirect (I)OwnershipFollowing<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)(Instr. 4) |
| Common<br>Shares, \$5<br>par value  |  | 933 (1) I By 401k<br>Plan<br>Trustee   |
| Common<br>Shares, \$5 03/01/2005<br>par value   | A $\frac{1,718}{(2)}$ A $\frac{\$}{18.84}$   | 12,832 <u>(3)</u> D  |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transact<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5.<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | ;                   | Date               | Unde<br>Secur | unt of<br>rlying                       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|---|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|---------------|--|---|---|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                               | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title         | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |   |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Addr  | Relationships |           |                         |       |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|--|--|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |  |  |
| STACK JOHN P<br>NORTHEAST UTILITIES<br>107 SELDEN STREET<br>BERLIN, CT 06037 |               |           | Vice Pres. & Controller |       |  |  |
| Signatures   |               |           |                         |       |  |  |
| /s/ John P. Stack  | 03/02/2005    |           |                         |       |  |  |

\*\*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) Shares held in trust under the Northeast Utilities Service Company 401k Plan, a qualified plan, as of March 1, 2005, according to information supplied by the plan's recordkeeper.
- (2) Grant of restricted share units which vest equally on February 25, 2006, 2007 and 2008 and will be paid half on vesting and half four years after vesting.
- (3) Includes restricted shares and restricted share units. In addition, the reporting person also directly holds 12,415 options to purchase common shares, previously reported on Forms 3 and 4.

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