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(Print or Type Responses)		
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> McHale David R	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle) NORTHEAST UTILITIES, 107 SELDEN STREET	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2005	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Senior Vice Pres. & CFO
(Street) BERLIN, CT 06037	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Act	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)2A. Dec Executi any (Month/Day/Year)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	5. Amount of Securities6. Ownership Form: Direct7. Nature of IndirectBeneficially Owned(D) or Indirect (I)Beneficial OwnershipFollowing Following Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)(Instr. 4)
Common Shares, \$5 par value		3,413 (1) I By 401(k) Plan Trustee
Common Shares, \$5 03/01/2005 par value	A $\frac{7,116}{(2)}$ A $\frac{$}{18.84}$	14,710 <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 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Unde Secur	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
L O	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McHale David R NORTHEAST UTILITIES 107 SELDEN STREET BERLIN, CT 06037			Senior Vice Pres. & CFO	
Signatures				

/s/ David R. 03/03/2005 McHale

<u>**</u>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 directly owns 18,501 stock options to purchase common shares previously reported on Form 3.

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