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Common By 401(k)
Shares, Plan
\$5.00 par
value

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Shares	Â	01/06/2012	(1)	X4	Â	209	(1)	(1)	Common Shares, \$5.00 par value	209	Ω

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Olivier Leon J C/O NORTHEAST UTILITIES 56 PROSPECT STREET HARTFORD, CT 06103	Â	Â	Executive VP and COO	Â

Signatures

/s/Leon J.
Olivier

**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).
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- 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.
- (2) Includes shares and restricted share units and dividend equivalents thereon.
- (3) On January 6, 2012, due to a previous election, Mr. Olivier became entitled to a distribution of a portion of his account in the Issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan for Executives (a non-qualified plan), consisting of the phantom shares.
- (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.

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