

VANHORN JAMES  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
VANHORN JAMES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NELNET INC [NNI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
121 SOUTH 13TH STREET, SUITE 201

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/18/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

(Street)  
LINCOLN, NE 68508

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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                             |
| Class A Common Stock            | 11/18/2009                           |  | S(1)(2)                        |   | 10,000  | D  | \$ 18 41,652                      |

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)**

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| 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 Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| VANHORN JAMES<br>121 SOUTH 13TH STREET<br>SUITE 201<br>LINCOLN, NE 68508 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Angie R. Miller, Attorney-in-Fact for James VanHorn 11/19/2009

\*\*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) These shares were sold by the reporting person pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan (the "Plan") entered into on November 11, 2009, which Plan is essentially identical to a previous plan by the reporting person except that the executing broker was changed. The Plan provides for the sale of up to a maximum of 30,000 shares of the issuer's Class A Common Stock, subject to limit price provisions and an expiration date of November 11, 2010. To the extent any future sales occur pursuant to the Plan, such sales will be publicly disclosed in Form 4 filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(2) Rule 10b5-1, promulgated under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, allows executives of a company who are not in possession of material non-public information to establish pre-arranged plans to buy or sell a specified number of shares of such company's stock. Once a plan is established, the executive does not retain or exercise any discretion over sales of stock under the plan and the pre-planned trades may be executed at later dates as set forth in the plan, without regard to any subsequent material non-public information related to the company that the executive may receive.

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