

DUNLAP MICHAEL S  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
DUNLAP MICHAEL S

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)  
01/03/2012

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

(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	01/03/2012		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V	30,000	D	\$ 0
Class B common stock					2,362,856	D	
Class B common stock					1,452,553	D	
Class B common stock					1,586,691	I	By corporation
Class B common stock					1,014,160	I	By GRAT

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stock			
Class B common stock	1,701,000	I	By spouse
Class A common stock	404,500 <sup>(4)</sup>	I	By corporation
Class A common stock	3,364	I	By 401(k) plan
Class B common stock	125,000 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	By Dynasty Trust
Class B common stock	125,000 <sup>(6)</sup>	I	By Dynasty Trust
Class B common stock	125,000 <sup>(7)</sup>	I	By Dynasty Trust
Class B common stock	100	I	By son
Class B common stock	100	I	By son
Class B common stock	100	I	By son
Class B common stock	500,000 <sup>(8)</sup>	I	By GRAT
Class B common stock	500,000 <sup>(9)</sup>	I	By GRAT
Class B common stock	500,000 <sup>(10)</sup>	I	By GRAT
Class B common stock	500,000 <sup>(11)</sup>	I	By GRAT
Class B common stock	500,000 <sup>(12)</sup>	I	By GRAT

Class B  
common  
stock

500,000 <sup>(13)</sup> I

By GRAT

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)	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 Following Transaction (Instr. 3)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DUNLAP MICHAEL S 121 SOUTH 13TH STREET SUITE 201 LINCOLN, NE 68508	X	X	Chairman and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Angie R. Miller, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael S. Dunlap

02/16/2012

\_\_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) The gift reported in this filing was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Stock Gift Plan entered into by the reporting person on August 29, 2011.

(2)

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Shares held by Union Financial Services, Inc. ("UFS"), of which the reporting person is chairman and owns 50.0% of the outstanding capital stock. The reporting person continues to report beneficial ownership of all the shares held by UFS, but disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by UFS except to the extent of his pecuniary interests therein.

- (3) Shares held by the Michael S. Dunlap Grantor Retained Annuity Trust dated August 28, 2003. The reporting person continues to report beneficial ownership of all the shares held by the trust, but disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the trust except to the extent of his pecuniary interests therein.
- (4) Shares held by Farmers & Merchants Investment Inc. ("F&M"), of which the reporting person is a director, executive officer, and owns or controls approximately 22% of the outstanding voting stock, and of which the reporting person's spouse owns approximately 18% of the outstanding voting stock. The reporting person continues to report beneficial ownership of all the shares held by F&M, but disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by F&M except to the extent of his pecuniary interests therein.
- (5) Shares held by a Dynasty Trust, of which a son of the reporting person is the initial beneficiary. The reporting person continues to report beneficial ownership of all the shares held by the trust, but disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the trust except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
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- (8) Shares held by a separate Michael S. Dunlap Class B Grantor Retained Annuity Trust dated December 19, 2011. The reporting person continues to report beneficial ownership of all the shares held by the trust, but disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the trust except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
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