

NORTHEAST UTILITIES  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
GRISE CHERYL W

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
NORTHEAST UTILITIES, 107  
SELDEN STREET  
(Street)

BERLIN, CT 06037

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NORTHEAST UTILITIES [NU]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/31/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President

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

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Shares, \$5 par value    |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  | 4,506 <sup>(1)</sup>  | I  | By 401k Plan Trustee                                  |
| Common Shares, \$5 par value    | 01/31/2007                           |  | A                              | 400 A <sup>(2)</sup>  | 3,090 <sup>(2)</sup>  | I  | Deferred Comp. Plan                                   |
| Common Shares, \$5 par value    |                                      |  |                                |   | 110,120 <sup>(3)</sup>  | D  |   |
| Common Shares, \$5              |                                      |  |                                |   | 265   | I  | By spouse as  |

par value

custodian  
for children

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

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships  |
|--|--|
| GRISE CHERYL W<br>NORTHEAST UTILITIES<br>107 SELDEN STREET<br>BERLIN, CT 06037 | Director 10% Owner Officer<br><br>Executive Vice President |

## Signatures

/s/ Cheryl W. Grise 02/02/2007

\*\*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 401(k) Plan, a qualified plan, as of January 31, 2007, according to information supplied by the plan's recordkeeper.
- (2)

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Employer matching contributions under the Northeast Utilities Deferred Compensation Plan for Executives, receipt of which has been deferred, as of January 31, 2007. Share price averages \$23.32. Actual price is determined on the applicable payroll date.

- (3) Includes restricted shares and restricted share units; in addition, the reporting person also directly holds 171,228 stock options to purchase common shares, previously reported on Form 4.

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