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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 5  
(AMENDMENT NO. 9)

TO FORM U-1

APPLICATION/DECLARATION

UNDER

THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935

Northeast Utilities  
Western Massachusetts Electric Company  
174 Brush Hill Avenue  
West Springfield, MA 01090-0010

Holyoke Water Power Company  
One Canal Street  
Holyoke, MA 01040

The Connecticut Light and Power Company  
NU Enterprises, Inc.  
Northeast Generation Service Company  
E.S. Boulos Company  
Woods Network Services, Inc.  
Woods Electrical Co., Inc.  
Northeast Generation Company  
Select Energy, Inc.  
Select Energy New York, Inc.  
Mode 1 Communications, Inc.  
Northeast Utilities Service Company  
107 Selden Street  
Berlin, CT 06037

Public Service Company  
of New Hampshire  
North Atlantic Energy  
Corporation  
Energy Park  
780 North Commercial Street  
Manchester, NH 03101  
  
Select Energy Services, Inc.  
24 Prime Parkway  
Natick, MA 01760

Yankee Energy System, Inc.  
Yankee Gas Services Company  
Yankee Energy Financial Services Company  
NorConn Properties, Inc.  
Yankee Energy Services Company  
107 Selden Street  
Berlin, CT 06037

The Rocky River Realty  
Company  
The Quinnehtuk Company  
Northeast Nuclear Energy  
Company  
Properties, Inc.  
107 Selden Street  
Berlin, CT 06037

(Name of companies filing this statement and addresses of  
principal executive offices)

NORTHEAST UTILITIES  
(Name of top registered holding company)

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The Application/Declaration in this file, as heretofore amended, is further amended and restated as follow:

### ITEM 1 DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED TRANSACTION

#### BACKGROUND

1. Northeast Utilities ("NU"), a public utility holding company registered under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended (the "Act"), located at 174 Brush Hill Ave., West Springfield, MA; Yankee Energy System, Inc. ("YES"), a public utility holding company subsidiary of NU, exempt from registration under the Act, and Northeast Utilities Service Company, NU's service company subsidiary ("NUSCO"), both located at 107 Selden Street, Berlin, CT; NU's direct and indirect public utility subsidiaries, The Connecticut Light and Power Company ("CL&P"), Northeast Nuclear Energy Company ("NNECO") and Yankee Gas Services Company (Yankee Gas"), located at 107 Selden Street, Berlin, CT, Western Massachusetts Electric Company ("WMECO"), located at 174 Brush Hill Avenue, West Springfield, MA, Public Service Company of New Hampshire ("PSNH") and North Atlantic Energy Corporation ("NAEC"), located at 780 North Commercial Street, Manchester, NH, and Holyoke Water Power Company ("HWP"), located at Canal Street, Holyoke, MA; and NU's direct and indirect nonutility subsidiaries, The Rocky River Realty Company ("RR"), The Quinnehtuk Company ("Quinnehtuk"), Properties, Inc. ("Properties"), Yankee Energy Financial Services Company ("Yankee Financial"), Yankee Energy Services Company ("YESCO"), NorConn Properties, Inc. ("NorConn"), NU Enterprises, Inc. ("NUEI"), Northeast Generation Company ("NGC"), Northeast Generation Services Company ("NGS"), E. S. Boulos Company ("Boulos"), Woods Electrical Company, Inc. ("Woods"), Woods Network Services, Inc. ("Woods Network"), Select Energy, Inc. ("Select Energy") and Mode 1 Communications, Inc. ("Mode 1"), all located at 107 Selden Street, Berlin, CT, Select Energy New York, Inc. ("SENY"), located at 507 Plum Street, Syracuse, NY and Select Energy Services, Inc. ("SESI"), located at 24 Prime Parkway, Natick, MA (collectively the "Applicants") submit this amendment to the application/declaration in this File (the "Amendment") pursuant to Sections 6(a), 7, 9(a), 10 and 12 of the Act and Rules 43, 45 and 52 thereunder with respect to the extension of certain financing authorizations granted by the Commission in the prior Commission order and the release of jurisdiction reserved in such order.

2. By order dated December 28, 2000 (Holding Co. Act Release No. 27328) issued by the Commission in this File No. 70-9755 (the "2000 Order"), the Applicants were authorized to continue participation in the NU system money pool ("NU Money Pool"), and, to the extent not exempt under Rules 45(b) and 52, for the Applicants to enter into short-term debt transactions with NU and

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to borrow from and extend credit to (and acquire promissory notes from) each other through their participation in the NU Money Pool, through June 30, 2003 subject to certain terms and conditions set forth therein. In addition, authorization was granted in the 2000 Order for NU and its utility subsidiaries to issue notes or commercial paper to unaffiliated third parties to evidence short-term debt up to specified limits and within specified parameters, through June 30, 2003. By Commission order dated June 30, 2003, (Holding Co. Act Release No. 35-27693, the "2003 Order") issued in this File, the Commission extended the authorization period for the issuance of short-term debt by NU, CL&P, WMECO, PSNH, YES and Yankee Gas (the "Utility Borrowers") through June 30, 2006,