NORTHEAST UTILITIES Form 8-K February 04, 2014

## **UNITED STATES**

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

## **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 4, 2014 (February 4, 2014)

## NORTHEAST UTILITIES

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts (State or other jurisdiction

001-5324 (Commission File Number) **04-2147929** (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

of organization)

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#### **One Federal Street, Building 111-4**

Springfield, Massachusetts01105(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (860) 665-5000

#### Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 8

**Other Events** 

Item 8.01

Other Events.

On February 4, 2014, the Company issued a news release announcing that the Board of Trustees had approved an increase in the quarterly dividend to \$0.3925 per share payable on March 31, 2014, to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 3, 2014. A copy of the news release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 9

**Financial Statements and Exhibits** 

Item 9.01

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Exhibits.

#### Exhibit Number Description

99.1 News release, dated February 4, 2014, issued by Northeast Utilities announcing dividend increase.

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### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### NORTHEAST UTILITIES

(Registrant)

February 4, 2014

By:

<u>/s/ JAY S. BUTH</u>

Jay S. Buth

Vice President, Controller

and Chief Accounting Officer

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