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Form 8-K  
February 04, 2005

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-1004

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, 2005

Commission File Number 1-5324

NORTHEAST UTILITIES

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MASSACHUSETTS 1-5324 04-2147929

(State or other jurisdiction of organization) (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer incorporation or Identification No.)

ONE FEDERAL STREET, BUILDING 111-4, SPRINGFIELD  
MASSACHUSETTS 01105

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(413) 785-5871

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Section 2 - Financial Information

Item 2.02 Results of Operation and Financial Condition

On February 4, 2005, Northeast Utilities issued a news

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release announcing its unaudited results of operations for the three and twelve month periods ending December 31, 2004. A copy of the news release and related financial reports are attached as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, and are incorporated herein by reference thereto. The information contained in this report on Form 8-K, including Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, shall not be deemed "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission nor incorporated by reference in any registration statement filed by Northeast Utilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specified otherwise.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit	Description
Exhibit 99.1	Northeast Utilities News Release dated February 4, 2005.
Exhibit 99.2	Financial Report for the three and twelve month periods ending December 31, 2004.

[SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW]

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)

By: /s/ Randy A. Shoop  
Name: Randy A. Shoop  
Title: Vice President and Treasurer

Date: February 4, 2005