ABEL JAMES P Form 4 June 27, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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 *

ABEL JAMES P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NELNET INC [NNI]

(First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 06/25/2012

121 SOUTH 13TH STREET, SUITE 201

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Amount of

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

LINCOLN, NE 68508

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Securities

(A)

or

Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Indirect Ownership

10% Owner

Other (specify

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(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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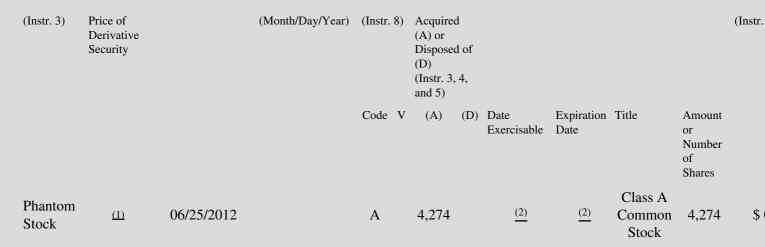
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date **Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ABEL JAMES P 121 SOUTH 13TH STREET SUITE 201 LINCOLN, NE 68508	X			

Signatures

/s/ Angie R. Miller, Attorney-in-Fact for James P.
Abel 06/27/2012

**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)** 1 for 1
 - The shares of phantom stock were granted pursuant to the issuer's Directors Stock Compensation Plan. They will become payable in shares of Class A Common Stock at the time of termination of the reporting person's service as a member of the issuer's Board of
- (2) Directors. The shares will be payable in a lump sum at the time of termination of the reporting person's service as a member of the issuer's Board, or in up to five annual installments, commencing at the time of termination of the reporting person's service on the issuer's Board, as elected by the reporting person.
- (3) Includes a total of 525 securities acquired since July 13, 2011 pursuant to the dividend reinvestment feature of the issuer's Directors Stock Compensation Plan.

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