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LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name Choate, Hall & Stewart			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported 53 State Street, Boston, MA 02109			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City: _____ State/Zip (or Country): _____			
4. Contact Name Dennis J. Kearney	Telephone 617/248-5000	E-mail (optional) djk@choate.com	5. Senate ID # 49670-12
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self New England Electric System			6. House ID # 34515001

TYPE OF REPORT 8. Year 1999 Midyear (January 1-June 30) OR Year End (July 1-December 31)

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report

10. Check if this is a Termination Report → Termination Date _____ 11. No Lobbying Activity

INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13	
<p>12. Lobbying Firms</p> <p>INCOME relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ <u>31,863.02</u> <small>Income (nearest \$20,000)</small></p> <p>Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).</p>	<p>13. Organizations</p> <p>EXPENSES relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> ⇒ \$ _____ <small>Expenses (nearest \$20,000)</small></p> <p>14. REPORTING METHOD. Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method A. Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method B. Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Method C. Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code</p>

Signature Dennis J. Kearney
 Printed Name and Title Dennis J. Kearney, Partner

Registrant Name Choate, Hall & Stewart Client Name New England Electric System

LOBBYING ACTIVITY. Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code UPI (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Electric Utility Industry Restructuring
HR 134, HR 667, HR 721, HR 971, HR 1253, HR 1487, HR 1587, HR 1828,
HR 2050, HR 2569, HR 2734, HR 2786
S 282, S 386, S 516, S 1047, S 1048, S 1273, S 1284, S 1323, S 1369
PUHCA Repeal, HR 1138
Y2K, HR 775, S1138

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

U.S. House of Representatives
U.S. Senate
Exec. Office of President
DOE
FERC

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Dennis J. Kearney, Partner		<input type="checkbox"/>
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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above Check if None

Signature Dennis J. Kearney Date February 8, 2000
Printed Name and Title Dennis J. Kearney, Partner

Registrant Name Choate, Hall & Stewart Client Name New England Electric System

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15. General issue area code TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Tax Treatment of Utility Divestiture Proceeds

Private Use Restrictions, HR 721, HR 1253, S 386

Nuclear Decommissioning Tax Relief, HR 2038

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted Check if None

Senate and House of Representatives

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Dennis J. Kearney, Partner		<input type="checkbox"/>
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Signature Dennis J. Kearney Date February 8, 2000
Printed Name and Title Dennis J. Kearney, Partner

DENNIS J. KEARNEY
 NEW ENGLAND ELECTRIC SYSTEM
 Washington Expenses
 July 1, 1999 - December 31, 1999

\$601.00	July 14, 1999	U.S. Air	Airfare
18.00	July 14, 1999	Travel	Parking
30.00	July 14, 1999	Travel	Taxis
15.00	July 14, 1999	Travel	Meal

\$664.00 TOTAL for July 14, 1999

\$664.00 TOTAL FOR JULY 1999

\$300.50	Oct. 5-6, 1999	U.S. Air	Airfare
160.55	Oct. 5-6, 1999	Travel	Hotel
26.50	Oct. 5-6, 1999	Travel	Meals
18.00	Oct. 5-6, 1999	Travel	Parking
10.00	Oct. 5-6, 1999	Travel	Meal
37.00	Oct. 5-6, 1999	Travel	Taxis

\$552.55 TOTAL for October 5-6, 1999

\$300.75	Oct. 19-20, 1999	U.S. Air	Airfare
156.00	Oct. 19-20, 1999	Travel	Hotel
136.72	Oct. 19-20, 1999	Travel	Meals
53.00	Oct. 19-20, 1999	Travel	Taxis

\$646.47 TOTAL for October 19-20, 1999

\$1,199.02 TOTAL FOR OCTOBER 1999

TOTAL FOR 1999 \$1,863.02