FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     BROWNELL DAVID P					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>UNITIL CORP</u> [ UTL ]								(Ch	eck all app	ionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 6 LIBERTY LANE WEST					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004										Offic below	er (give title		Owner (specify )
(Street) HAMPT(			)3842 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	) <mark>X</mark> Forn	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable m filed by One Reporting Person m filed by More than One Reporting son		
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Date,		3. 4. Securities Acquire Disposed Of (D) (Inst 5)					Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount (		) or )	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common stock, no par value 12/31/					/2004	/2004		J <sup>(1)</sup>		194		A	\$28.3	2,205		D		
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion Date Security  3. Transaction Date Execution Date Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)		Date,		nsaction de (Instr. S. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiratio (Month/D	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		unt per	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares were purchased on my behalf by Unitil Corporation and transferred into my name in connection with the stock portion of my annual retainer Fee received as a Director of the Company.

/s/ David P. Brownell 01/21/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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