FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* OSHAUGHNESSY M BRIAN						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNITIL CORP [UTL]											ationshi all app Dired	•				
(Last) 6 LIBER	(Fii ' TY LANE	,	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2003											Offic belov	er (give title w)		Other (specify below)		
(Street)	ON NI)3842		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Indiv Line) X	Forn Forn	al or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable form filed by One Reporting Person form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ar)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Tr	3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			d (A) b	or 5. Ai 4 and Secu Bendown		ount of ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
										ode	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Pric			ted action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, no par value 1					6/2003				J	J ⁽¹⁾		215		A	\$2	5.53	0		D			
Common Stock, no par value				11/14	11/14/2003				J	J ⁽²⁾		12.99		A	\$25.34		0		D			
Common Stock, no par value				08/15/2003		3			J	J ⁽²⁾		12.75		A	\$25.47		0		D			
Common Stock, no par value					5/15/2003				J	J ⁽²⁾		13.15		A	\$24.36		2,481.948		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 or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year) if any Code (Month/Day/Year)		Transa Code (Instr	on of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			e e e e e e e e	r) Securitie Underlyi Derivatii Security and 4)		count of curities derlying rivative curity (II i 4)	nstr. 3	Deri Sect (Inst	rice of vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ow For Dir or I (I) (nership m: ect (D) ndirect 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.
- 2. Acquisition pursuant to reinvestment of dividends.

/s/ Brian M. O'Shaughnessy

12/17/2003

** 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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