FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol UNITIL CORP [ UTL ]									heck all ap Dire	plicable) ctor		Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 6 LIBERTY LANE WEST						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2009									X belo	,	belo President	r (specify w)
(Street) HAMPT (City)			)3842 Zip)		4. If	Amei	ndment	Date o	of Original	Filed	(Month/Da	ay/Year	)	6. Lir	ne) X For For	m filed by On	o Filing (Check e Reporting Pe re than One Re	rson
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Date,		Code (Instr. 5)					nd Secur Bene Owne	ficially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership				
								Code	v	Amount	( <i>A</i>	() or ()	Price		action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common stock, no par value (			02/16	/2009		A		1,590 A		A	\$ <mark>0</mark> (	1)	11,835	D				
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	rivative Conversion Date Execution Date, curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Code ( 8)	ansaction of ode (Instr. Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		ount ober	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares were granted pursuant to the Unitil Corporation Restricted Stock Plan. Shares will vest 25% per year over four years from date of grant. Shares will be valued at current market price on date of vesting.

<u>/s/ George R. Gantz</u> <u>02/17/2009</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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