

Tewes Timothy
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Tewes Timothy

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NELNET INC [NNI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
121 SOUTH 13TH STREET, SUITE 201

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/09/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive Director

(Street)
LINCOLN, NE 68508

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Class A Common Stock	03/09/2012		A		6,464 (1) \$ 0	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/09/2012		F		2,118 (3) \$ 26.69 (4)	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/09/2012		A		5,621 (5) (1) \$ 0	D	
Class A Common					3,164 (6)	I	By 401(k) plan

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- (4) Per share value assigned by the issuer to the tax withholding shares under the tax withholding arrangement, and based on the average of the high and low market sales prices of the shares on February 29, 2012.
- (5) Shares of restricted stock awarded by the issuer pursuant to the issuer's Restricted Stock Plan. Such shares are subject to vesting provisions.
- (6) The reporting person has acquired a total of 489 shares under the issuer's 401(k) plan since March 15, 2011.

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