St Clair Joyce Form 4 October 27, 2009

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * St Clair Joyce

(Last)

(C:+-)

(Middle)

(7:-

50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET

(First)

(Street)

(Ctota)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NORTHERN TRUST CORP [NTRS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/23/2009

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify

below) **Executive Vice President**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CHICAGO, IL 60603

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	· · ·			
Common Stock (1)	10/23/2009		F	884	D	\$ 53.385	16,612 <u>(2)</u>	D			
Common Stock (1)	10/23/2009		F	393	D	\$ 53.385	15,279 (3)	D			
Common Stock (1)	10/23/2009		F	281	D	\$ 53.385	14,325 (4)	D			
Common Stock							22,387 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>	I	By Trust		
Common Stock							5,103 <u>(5)</u>	I	401(k)		

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	4	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transa	ction	Number	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	(of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Unde	rlying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	8) 1	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative					Securities			(Instr.	. 3 and 4)	
	Security				1	Acquired					
	·				((A) or					
						Disposed					
						of (D)					
						(Instr. 3,					
						4, and 5)					
						.,					
										Amount	
								Expiration		or	
								Date	Title	Number	
								Date		of	
				Code	V	(A) (D)				Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

St Clair Joyce

50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET

CHICAGO, IL 60603

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Paul A. Bernacki Attorney-in-Fact for Joyce St.

Clair 10/27/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock
- On October 23, 2009, 3,000 already reported and vested stock units, granted on February 17, 2004, were distributed to the reporting person; 2,116 stock units were distributed to the reporting person as common stock of NTRS and 884 stock units were withheld in payment of Federal, State and Medicare taxes.
- On October 23, 2009, 1,333 already reported and vested stock units, granted on February 15, 2005, were distributed to the reporting person, 940 stock units were distributed to the reporting person as common stock of NTRS, and 393 stock units were withheld in payment of Federal, State and Medicare taxes.

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On October 23, 2009, 954 already reported and vested stock units, granted on February 21, 2006, were distributed to the reporting person; 673 stock units were distributed to the reporting person as common stock of NTRS, and 281 stock units were withheld in payment of Federal, State and Medicare taxes.

(5) as of 9-30-2009

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