#### MOEN TIMOTHY P

Form 4

January 21, 2011

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

OMB 3235-0287

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Number:

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

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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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

NORTHERN TRUST CORP

Symbol

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

MOEN TIMOTHY P

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

			[NTRS]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) 50 SOUTH				h				Director 10% Owner Other (specify elow) below)  Executive Vice President			
CHICAGO				Filed(Month/Day/Year)				5. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								y Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (		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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/21/2011			M	18,847	A	\$ 48.755	50,068	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	01/21/2011			S	18,847	D	\$ 52.8622 (1)	31,221	I	By Trust	
Common Stock (2)								28,706	D		
Common								5 (3)	T	401(k)	

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

401(k)

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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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 48.755	01/21/2011		M	18,847	<u>(4)</u>	10/15/2011	Common Stock	18,847

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MOEN TIMOTHY P 50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET CHICAGO, IL 60603

**Executive Vice President** 

### **Signatures**

Paul A. Bernacki, Attorney-in-Fact for Timothy P. Moen

01/21/2011

\*\*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).
- The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The prices actually received ranged from \$52.81to \$52.91. Upon request, the (1) reporting person will provide to the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within this range.
- (2) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.
- (3) as of 12/31/2010
- (4) Exercisable on 10/15/2002; 10/15/2003; and 10/15/2004

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