

Tewes Timothy  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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

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

LINCOLN, NE 68508

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

**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						I	By 401(k) plan
					3,164 (6)		



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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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