FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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|   |     |  |                                |  | or Sec  | tion 30(h | n) of the Í                        | nvestmer | nt Con  | npany Act           | of 19 | 940   |  |   |  |   |            |
|---|-----|--|--------------------------------|--|---|-----------|------------------------------------|----------|---|---------------------|-------|---|--|---|--|---|------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WHITNEY SANDRA L        |     |  |                                | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol UNITIL CORP [ UTL ] |   |           |                                    |          |   |                     |       | heck all ap   |  | ng Person(s) to I   |  |   |            |
| (Last) 6 LIBER  | (Fi | · ·  | Middle)                        |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2017 |           |                                    |          |   |                     |       |   | X Offi<br>beli                                 | ,   | Other (specify below)  |   |            |
| (Street) HAMPT(   |     |  | )3842<br>Zip)                  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)    |           |                                    |          |   |                     |       |   | ne)<br>X For<br>For                            | idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |   |            |
|   |     | Tabl   | e I - No                       | n-Deriv  | ative S   | ecuriti   | ies Acc                            | uired,   | Dis   | posed o             | of, o | r Ben   | eficia   | lly Owr   | ed   |   |            |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D.          |     |  |                                | Execution Dat  |   | on Date,  | Code (Instr.                       |          |   |                     |       | d Secu<br>Bene<br>Own                               | nount of<br>rities<br>ficially<br>ed Following | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)   | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership                |   |            |
|   |     |  |                                |  |   |           |                                    | Code     | v   | Amount              |       | (A) or<br>(D)                                       | Price  | Repo<br>Tran<br>(Inst   | saction(s)<br>. 3 and 4)   |   | (Instr. 4) |
| Common stock, no par value. 01/30/                                |     |  |                                | 0/2017   |   |           | A                                  |          | 290   |                     | A     | \$0.0   | 0(1) 6   | 51.393 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D  |   |            |
| Common stock, no par value.                                       |     |  |                                |  |   |           |                                    |          |   |                     |       |   | 28.07  | I   | Held in<br>trust. <sup>(3)</sup>                                   |   |            |
|   |     | Та   |                                |  |   |           |                                    | ,        |   | sed of,<br>onvertib |       |   | ,  | Owne  | ı  | , |            |
| Derivative   Conversion   Date   Exercise   (Month/Day/Year)   if |     | 3A. Deem<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/Da | n Date, Transaction Code (Inst |  | n of i  |           | 6. Date E<br>Expiratio<br>(Month/D |          | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |                     |       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) |  | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)   | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |            |
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## **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

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2. Includes 3.506 shares of common stock acquired on May 28, 2015, 3.306 shares of common stock acquired on August 28, 2015, 3.421 shares of common stock acquired on November 27, 2015, 3.125 shares of common stock acquired on February 26, 2016, 3.173 shares of common stock acquired on May 27, 2016, 3.168 shares of common stock acquired on August 26, 2016 and 2.934 shares of common stock acquired on November 28, 2016, in each case resulting from the reinvestment of dividends pursuant to Unitil Corporation's Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.

Date

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Expiration

Title

3. Shares are held in trust under the terms of the Unitil Corporation Tax Deferred Savings and Investment Plan.

## Remarks:

/s/ Sandra L. Whitney 01/31/2017

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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