FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>AKIN BRUCE A</u>							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]								neck all app Dired	olicable) ctor		Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 818 S KANSAS AVE							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2015								X below	fficer (give title Other (below) SVP, Power Delivery			
(Street) TOPEKA KS 66612 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Lin	e) X Form Form	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
		Tabl	e I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Disp	osed o	f, or	Bene	ficia	lly Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D						Execution Da			e, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			d Securi Benefi Owned	cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
						Code	v	Amount	ount (A) or (D)		Price		action(s) 3 and 4)		(111501.4)				
Common Stock Par Value \$5.00 02/25/							2015		A ⁽¹⁾		3,725 A		A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	40),962 ⁽²⁾	D		
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)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	ition Date, Ti		ection Instr.	nstr. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) ((Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		unt ber	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Grant of restricted share units that will vest on 1/1/2018 if the officer remains employed with the issuer through the vesting date. Restricted share units are subject to forfeiture under certain conditions.
- $2. \ Includes \ 12,260$ restricted share units that are subject to forfeiture.

Remarks:

<u>Cynthia S. Couch by power of attorney</u>

02/26/2015

** 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).
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