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* MORRISSEY MICHAEL F | | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR] | | | | | | | | | ip of Reporting Persor plicable) ctor | | son(s) to Is | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|---|---|---------|------------------------------------|-------|---|-------|------------------------|---|--|---|---|--|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 818 S. KANSAS AVE. | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2015 | | | | | | | | | | icer (give title ow) | | Other (below) | (specify |
| (Street) TOPEKA KS 66612 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | ne) X Fo Fo | dual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 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. Tran Date (Month | | | | | 2A. Deemo Execution (Day/Year) if any (Month/Da | | | n Date, | Code (Inst | | | | | | nd Secu Bene Own | nount of irities eficially ed Following orted | Form (D) or | vnership i: Direct r Indirect istr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | | | | | v | Amount | (| A) or D) | Price | Tran | saction(s) r. 3 and 4) | | | (1130.4) |
| Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00 01/02 | | | | | | /2015 | | A | | 1,439 | | A | \$ <mark>0</mark> | (1) | 25,343 | | D | | |
| | | Та | ble II - D | | | | | | | | sed of, onvertib | | | | y Owne | d | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/ | Date, | 4. Transa Code (8) | | | | 6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D | • | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | derivative Securities | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | ownership orm: pirect (D) r Indirect | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisal | | Expiration Date | Title | or Num of Sha | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares received as a partial payment of retainer fees.

Remarks:

Cynthia S. Couch by power of

01/02/2015

attorney** 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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