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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
HARRISO	<u>N KELLY B</u>	<u>i</u>		Director 10% Owner					
				V Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	below) below)					
	818 S. KANSAS AVE.		08/28/2006	VP, Trans. Ops. & Env. Svcs.					
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			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street)				Line)					
ТОРЕКА	KS	66612		X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
,]	Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Person					
	(State)	(<u>Lih</u>)	1	1					

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. Transa Code (8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)	
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00	08/28/2006		S		300	D	\$24.36	22,987 ⁽¹⁾	D		
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00	08/28/2006		S		600	D	\$24.35	22,387(1)	D		
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00	08/28/2006		S		1,100	D	\$24.34	21,287(1)	D		
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00								2,676	Ι	Held in 401(k) Plan	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	5. Number of Expiration Date Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		7. Title Amouri Securi Underi Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 5,314 restricted share units that are subject to forfeiture.

Remarks:

Cynthia S. Couch by power of

attorney

08/29/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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