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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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)				
MORRISS	MORRISSEY MICHAEL F			X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) 818 S. KANS	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2007	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
,			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
(Street) TOPEKA	KS	66612		Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			Securities	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)		(11311.4)
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00	01/02/2007		A ⁽¹⁾		2,000	Α	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	9,921	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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		5. Number of Expiration Dat Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ate			Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (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. Stock award received as a partial retainer fee.

Remarks:

<u>Cynthia S. Couch by power of</u> attorney <u>01</u>

01/03/2007

** 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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