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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 OWNERS

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1. Name and Add	Iress of Reporting		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 818 S KANSA	(First) AS AVE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/03/2017	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, Strategy					
(Street) TOPEKA (City)	KS (State)	66612 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X 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. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (8)				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	11/03/2017		S		8,100	D	\$53.9244	44,922 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00	11/03/2017		G	v	769	D	\$0	44,153(1)	D	
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00								2,103	Ι	401(k) plan account

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)	Date, Transaction Code (Instr.		nstr. Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Securities Acquired (A) or				7. Title Amour Securi Underi Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	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 25,410 restricted share units that are subject to forfeiture.

Remarks:

Cynthia Couch by power of

<u>attorney</u>

11/06/2017

** 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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