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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) | | | | |
|--|---|-------|--|-------|---|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| Lawrence 3 | Lawrence Sandra AJ (Last) (First) (Middle) 818 S. KANSAS AVE. | | [] | X | Director | 10% Owner | | | |
| (Last) 818 S. KANS | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2008 | | Officer (give title below) | Other (specify below) | | | |
| | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | vidual or Joint/Group Fili | ng (Check Applicable | | | |
| (Street) TOPEKA | KS | 66612 | | Line) | Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | Person | | | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Code (Instr. | | | | | Securities Beneficially | (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) | | (instit 4) |
| Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00 | | | | | | | | 9,006 ⁽¹⁾ | 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) | Instr. | of | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Derivative Security (Instr. 5) curity | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 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 | | | | |
| Stock Units | \$0 ⁽²⁾ | 04/01/2008 | | A ⁽³⁾ | | 198 | | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 198 | \$0 | 198 | D | |

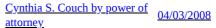
Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 109 shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends.

2. Units convert into common stock on a one for one basis.

3. Share units received as a payment of meeting fees that have been deferred pursuant to a non-employee director deferred compensation plan.

Remarks:



** 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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