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* <u>AKIN BRUCE A</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]									heck all	applicable) irector	ng Persor	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 818 S. KANSAS AVE.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2007										officer (give title elow) VP, Adminis	trative S	Other (specify below) ve Services		
(Street) TOPEKA KS 66612 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								ne) <mark>X</mark> F F	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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Date				2. Transa Date (Month/I		ar) E	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3,			nd Se Be Ov	Amount of curities neficially ned Following ported	6. Owne Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr	irect direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Tra	nsaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00				05/11	1/2007				S		5,000		D	\$28	.2	65,164 ⁽¹⁾)	
		Та	able II - D)								sed of, onvertib				/ Own	ed			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	tive Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Date, ny/Year)		ransaction ode (Instr.) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Expiration Date Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amour or Numbe of Title Shares		ount nber	8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities	Owr Forr Dire or Ir (I) (I	nership n: oct (D) ndirect nstr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 27,000 restricted share units that are subject to forfeiture.

Remarks:

Bruce A. Akin

05/14/2007

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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