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*  DOWNEY WILLIAM H							2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INC [ GXP ]										olicable)	g Person(s) to	Issuer Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED 1200 MAIN STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2011									X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  President & COO					
(Street) KANSAS CITY MO 64105  (City) (State) (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. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)					4 and Secui Bene		cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
							v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Tra		action(s) 3 and 4)		(11150.4)				
Common Stock																3,176(1)		I	401(k)	
Common Stock 02/05/2									F		2,794(2)		D	\$19.76		145,729(3)		D		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			ransaction ode (Instr.		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date Expiration Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amour or Numbe of Title Shares		nt er		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Amount includes 323 shares acquired between May 5, 2010 and February 5, 2011, from automatic payroll deduction and investment in the Company's 401(k) Plan.
- 2. Relinquished to the Company for withholding taxes incident to the vesting of restricted stock on February 5, 2011.
- 3. Amount includes 1,849 shares acquired between May 5, 2010 and February 5, 2011, through participation in the Company's Dividend Reinvestment and Direct Stock Purchase Plan.

## Remarks:

02/08/2011 William H. Downey

\*\* 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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