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 * $\underline{HAWLEY\ RICHARD\ L}$						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]									i. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) Check all applicable) X Director 1			lssuer Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 818 S. KANSAS AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2014										icer (give title low)	Othe belov	(specify y)	
(Street) TOPEKA KS 66612 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) X Fo	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
		Tabl	e I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	eficia	lly Ow	ned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transar Date (Month/Date						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				nd Sec Ben Owr	mount of urities eficially ed Following orted	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
						Code	v	Amount	(4	A) or O)	Price	Tran	saction(s) r. 3 and 4)		(11150: 4)				
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00 01/02/						/2014		A		1,863		Α	\$0	(1)	10,573	D			
		Та	ıble II - C								sed of, onvertib				/ Owne	d			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		4. Transa Code (8)	(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 Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amour or Numbe of Title Shares		ount nber	8. Price o Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)		Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				

Explanation of Responses:

Stock award received as a partial retainer fee.

Remarks:

Cynthia S. Couch by power of attorney

01/02/2014

<u>attorney</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly.$

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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