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*  ISAAC B ANTHONY						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [ WR ]									Relationshi heck all ap	,	.,	o Issuer ⁄⁄o Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 818 S. KANSAS AVE.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2011									Offic belo	er (give title w)		er (specify ow)
(Street) TOPEKA KS 66612 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Lir	ne) X Forr Forr	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  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. Transar Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,			Code (Instr.   5)					d Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownershi Form: Direc (D) or Indire (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	() 1)	A) or D)	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00					/2011			A <sup>(1)</sup>		2,000	) A :		\$0	24	24,107 <sup>(2)</sup>			
		Та	ble II - D (e								sed of, onvertib				Owned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y	Date, Transact Code (In					6. Date Ex Expiration (Month/Da	•	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		tr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
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## Explanation of Responses:

- Stock award received as a partial payment of retainer fees.
- $2. \ \mbox{Includes} \ 879 \ \mbox{shares} \ \mbox{acquired through the reinvestment of dividends}.$

## Remarks:

Cynthia S. Couch by power of

01/05/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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