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#### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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|   | Instruction 1(b).                                                                                       |

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br><u>CHESSER MICHAEL J</u> |         |          | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INC</u> [ GXP ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |                           |                      |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|
|                                                                      |         |          |                                                                                              |                                                                         | Director                  | 10% Owner            |  |  |  |
|                                                                      |         |          |                                                                                              |                                                                         | Officer (give title       | Other (specify       |  |  |  |
| (Last)                                                               | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)                                             |                                                                         | below)                    | below)               |  |  |  |
| C/O GREAT PLAINS ENERGY INCORPORATED                                 |         |          | 02/10/2012                                                                                   |                                                                         | Chief Executive Officer   |                      |  |  |  |
| 1200 MAIN STR                                                        | REET    |          |                                                                                              |                                                                         |                           |                      |  |  |  |
|                                                                      |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                                     | 6. Indiv<br>Line)                                                       | idual or Joint/Group Fili | ng (Check Applicable |  |  |  |
| (Street)                                                             |         | 0.4407   |                                                                                              | X                                                                       | Form filed by One Re      | porting Person       |  |  |  |
| KANSAS CITY                                                          | MO      | 64105    |                                                                                              |                                                                         | Form filed by More th     |                      |  |  |  |
|                                                                      |         |          |                                                                                              |                                                                         | Person                    | an One Reporting     |  |  |  |
| (City)                                                               | (State) | (Zip)    |                                                                                              |                                                                         |                           |                      |  |  |  |

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

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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)        | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   |                       |               |                   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|                                        |                                            |                                                             | Code                         | v | Amount                | (A) or<br>(D) | Price             | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                                        |                                                                   | (1150.4)                                                          |
| Common Stock                           | 07/27/2011                                 |                                                             | G                            | v | 200                   | D             | \$0               | 0                                                                         | Ι                                                                 | Wife                                                              |
| Common Stock                           | 07/27/2011                                 |                                                             | G                            | v | 200                   | A             | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 257,907                                                                   | D                                                                 |                                                                   |
| Common Stock                           | 02/10/2012                                 |                                                             | F                            |   | 21,690 <sup>(1)</sup> | D             | \$20.77           | 240,495 <sup>(2)</sup>                                                    | D                                                                 |                                                                   |
| Common Stock                           |                                            |                                                             |                              |   |                       |               |                   | 2,707 <sup>(3)</sup>                                                      | Ι                                                                 | 401(k)                                                            |

# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

|                                                     |                                                                       |                                            | ( 3/1                                                       | ,                            | , |      |     | • •                                            |                                                                                                     |       | ,                                                   |                                                                                                                            | -                                                                        |                                                                    |  |
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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | of E |     | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/Y | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3<br>and 4) |       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                            |                                                             | Code                         | v | (A)  | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                            | Expiration<br>Date                                                                                  | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares              |                                                                                                                            |                                                                          |                                                                    |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Relinquished to the Company for withholding taxes incident to vesting of restricted stock on February 10, 2012.

2. Amount includes 4,278 shares acquired between March 1, 2011 and February 10, 2012, through participation in the Company's Dividend Reinvestment and Direct Stock Purchase Plan.

3. Amount includes 422 shares acquired between March 1, 2011 and February 10, 2012, from automatic payroll deduction/investment and participation in the Company's 401(k) Plan.

Executed on behalf of Michael J. Chesser by Jaileah X.

Huddleston attorney-in-fact

Huddleston, attorney-in-fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

02/14/2012

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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