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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL
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Form 3 Holdings Reported.

Instruction 1(b)

Form 4 Transactions Reported. Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940																	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* ISAAC B ANTHONY				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]					5 (1	Relationship of Reporting Policy (Check all applicable) X Director				,	Issuer Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 818 S. KANSAS AVE.				3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004						Year)	Officer (give title below)				Othe belo	er (specify w)	
(Street) TOPEKA (City)	. KS		6612 Zip)	4. If Amen	Line) X Form file								n filed by O	oint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ed by One Reporting Person ed by More than One Reporting			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
Date (Month/Day/Year)			if any Code		Transa	4. Securities Acquired (A) or I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		or Dispose	Sec Ben				ership 1: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
				(,		, -,		Amou	nt	(A) or (D)	Price		Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)		Ìndir (Inst		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00												4,040(1)			D		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																	
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 8) Code (Instr. 9) Code (I		Expiration (Mont	Expiration		int of rities rlying ative rity (Instr. 3	De Se	b. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5) Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)		lly	10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 675 restricted share units subject to forfeiture and 11 shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends received through the date of this filing.

Remarks:

Cynthia S. Couch by power of attorney

02/11/2005

** 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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