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* CARTER MOLLIE H						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
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(Last)	`	rst) (3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2011										Offi belo	er (give title w)		Other (below)	specify		
818 S. KANSAS AVE.																				
-			_ 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street)																,	m filed by Or	e Rer	oorting Perso	n l
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		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	/ative	Sec	curiti	es Ac	quir	ed, D	isp	osed	of, or E	Bene	eficia	lly Own	ed			
1. Title of S	Security (Inst	tr. 3)		2. Trans	saction					3.			rities Acq					6. Ownership		7. Nature
Date (Mo					h/Day/Year)		Execution Date, if any			Code (Instr.		Dispose 5)	Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			Bene	icially	(D) (of Indirect Beneficial
		- 19		(Month/Day/Year		ar) 8)	r) 8)						Owne Repo	d Following ted	(1) (1	(Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00																	20,932(-)		D	
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Stock Units	\$0 ⁽²⁾	04/01/2011			A ⁽³⁾		534		(3	3)		(3)	Commo	1 !	534	\$0	18,094	(4)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Includes 252 deferred share units acquired as reinvested dividend equivalents.
- 2. Units convert into common stock on a one for one basis.
- 3. Share units received as a partial payment of retainer and meeting fees that have been deferred pursuant to a non-employee director deferred compensation plan.
- ${\it 4. Includes 212 \ deferred \ share \ units \ acquired \ as \ reinvested \ dividend \ equivalents.}$

Remarks:

<u>Cynthia S. Couch by power of attorney</u>

04/04/2011

** 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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