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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Add	ress of Reporting	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 818 S. KANSAS AVE.		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2008	- x	Officer (give title below) EVP, Pub. Affairs	Other (specify below)			
(Street) TOPEKA KS 66612			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 04/02/2008	6. Indi Line) X	 dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicab Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Person				

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.1.4)
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00	04/01/2008		F ⁽¹⁾		1,380	D	\$22.65	34,030	D	

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

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Forfeiture of 1,380 shares for the payment of taxes upon the vesting and distribution of 4,100 restricted share units granted on April 2, 2007. The acquisition of the restricted share units was reported at the time of grant. This form is being amended to correct the transaction code to "F" for payment of tax liability.

Remarks:

<u>Cynthia S. Couch by power of</u> <u>attorney</u> <u>04/02/2008</u>

** 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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