

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-A

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR (g) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

WESTERN RESOURCES CAPITAL I
(Exact name of registrant, as specified in
Trust Agreements)

Kansas
(State or incorporation
or organization)

(to be applied for)
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

c/o Western Resources, Inc.
818 Kansas Avenue
Topeka, Kansas
(Address of principal executive offices)

66612
(Zip Code)

WESTERN RESOURCES, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its
certificate of incorporation)

Kansas
(State of incorporation
or organization)

48-0290150
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

818 Kansas Avenue
Topeka, Kansas
(Address of principal executive offices)

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If this Form relates to the
registration of a class of debt securities
and is effective upon filing pursuant to
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securities and is to become
effective simultaneously with the
effectiveness of a concurrent
registration statement under the
Securities Act of 1933 pursuant to
General Instruction A(c)(2) please
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Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class
to be so registered

Name of each exchange on which each
class is to be registered

Western Resources Capital I
___% Cumulative Quarterly Income
Preferred Securities, Series A
(and the Guarantee by Western
Resources, Inc. with respect
thereto)

New York Stock Exchange

Item 1. Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered.

The ___% Cumulative Quarterly Income Preferred Securities, Series A, ("Series A Preferred Securities") of Western Resources Capital I ("Capital"), a Delaware statutory business trust created under the laws of Delaware, registered hereby represent undivided beneficial interests in the assets of Capital and are guaranteed by Western Resources, Inc. ("Western Resources"), a Kansas corporation, to the extent set forth in the form of Guarantee by Western Resources and _____, as Guarantee Trustee (the "Guarantee"), which is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4(e) to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (the "Registration Statement") of Western Resources and Capital (File No. 33-_____), filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"). The particular terms of the Preferred Securities and the Guarantee are described in the prospectus supplement and the prospectus (collectively, the "Prospectus") which forms a part of the Registration Statement. The Prospectus and the form of Guarantee are incorporated by reference herein as set forth in Item 2 below. Such Prospectus as may hereafter be amended and filed as part of an amendment to the Registration Statement or otherwise pursuant to Rule 424(b) is hereby incorporated by reference.

Item 2. Exhibits.

Filed herewith:

Prospectus Supplement pertaining to the offer and sale of the Preferred Securities, which forms a part of, and is incorporated by reference to, the Registration Statement.

Certificate of Trust of Western Resources Capital I (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(f) to the Registration Statement).

Trust Agreement of Western Resources Capital I (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(h) to the Registration Statement).

Form of Amended and Restated Trust Agreement (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(j) to the Registration Statement).

Form of Series A Preferred Security (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(a) to the Registration Statement).

Form of Guarantee between Western Resources, as Guarantor and , as Guarantee Trustee (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(e) to the Registration Statement).

Form of Indenture between Western Resources and , as Debenture Trustee (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(c) to the Registration Statement).

Form of Supplemental Indenture between Western Resources and , as Debenture Trustee (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(d) to the Registration Statement).

Form of Series A Debenture (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4(b) to the Registration Statement).

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Western Resources, Inc. has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

WESTERN RESOURCES, INC.

Date: October 18, 1995

By: Richard D. Terrill

Name: Richard D. Terrill
Title: Secretary and Associate
General Counsel

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WESTERN RESOURCES CAPITAL I

By: Western Resources, Inc., as Depositor

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