HAWLEY RICHARD L

Form 4

November 09, 2011

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

\$5.00

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HAWLEY RICHARD L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 818 S. KAN	(First) (SAS AVENUE	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/09/2011			_	_X_ Director Officer (give to pelow)	10%	Owner or (specify		
(Street) TOPEKA, KS 66612			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemo Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi our Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, Par Value	11/09/2011			P	2,050	A	\$ 27.0538	3,642	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Amou Under Securi (Instr.	rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HAWLEY RICHARD L 818 S. KANSAS AVENUE TOPEKA, KS 66612	X						

Signatures

Cynthia S. Couch by power of attorney 11/09/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Weighted average price for 2,050 aggregate shares purchased for prices ranging from \$27.0152 to \$27.10 per share.

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