KONGS KEVIN L.

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KONGS KEVIN L.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]				Is	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) 818 S. KA	(First) NSAS AVE.	(N	. Date of Ea Month/Day/ 6/04/2018	•				(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP, Controller			
торека,	(Street) KS 66612		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				A 	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)	Table I	- Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Year) (In:	ode ostr. 8)	omr Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of	Price	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)	
Value \$5.00	06/04/2018		A <u>(</u>	(1)	6,903	A	\$ 0	40,232	D		
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00	06/04/2018		A	(2)	7,669	A	\$ 0	47,901	D		
Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00	06/04/2018		F <u>(</u>	(3)	3,949	D	\$ 55.8925	43,952	D		

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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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title and	d 8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	onNumber Expiration Date		Amount of	f Derivative	Deriv	
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KONGS KEVIN L.

818 S. KANSAS AVE.

TOPEKA, KS 66612

VP,

Controller

Signatures

Cynthia S. Couch by power of attorney 06/04/2018

**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) Grant of 6,903 restricted share units on 6/4/18 that will vest ratably in one third increments on the anniversary of the grant date. Restricted share units are subject to forfeiture under certain conditions.

(2)

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Vesting of 7,669 performance-based restricted share units that were granted on 2/24/16, 2/26/17 and 2/21/18. Under the terms of the grants of performance-based restricted share units, the number of shares to be received at vesting is increased or decreased based on the Issuer's Total Shareholder Return as compared to the Total Shareholder Return for a defined Peer Group of companies for the defined Performance Period. Under the terms of a merger agreement between Westar Energy, Inc. and Great Plains Energy Incorporated, performance-based restricted share units vest on the merger closing date at the greater of the target award or the actual number based on the performance criteria. The determination that the performance criteria relating to the grant had been met and the calculation of the number of shares to be distributed were completed on 6/4/18.

- (3) Forfeiture of 3,949 shares for the payment of taxes upon the vesting and distribution of 13,454 time-based and performance-based restricted share units granted on 2/24/16, 2/26/17 and 2/21/18.
- Shares of Westar Energy, Inc. stock and the restricted share units granted on 6/4/18 were exchanged for shares of Evergy, Inc. stock and (4) Evergy, Inc. restricted share units pursuant to a merger agreement between Westar Energy, Inc. and Great Plains Energy Incorporated on a 1 to 1 basis.
- (5) Solely for purposes of this filing, the estimated market value per share of Evergy, Inc. common stock on 6/4/18 was \$55.08 per share (the closing stock price of the common stock of Westar Energy, Inc. as reported on the New York Stock Exchange on 6/1/18).

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