EQUITY RESIDENTIAL

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(Print or Type Responses)

NEITHERCUT DAVID J

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

		E	EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]			(Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/02/2010					X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO		
(Street)			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		
CHICAGO, IL 60606								Person		
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		ate, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	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 Shares Of Beneficial Interest	09/02/2010			M	79,965	A	\$ 27.2	260,044 (1)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	09/02/2010			S	79,965	D	\$ 48	180,079 (1)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest								2,229.9264 (2)	I	401(k) Plan

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	2,874 (3)	I	Family Limited Partnership
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	21,258 (4)	I	Grantor Trust (fbo daughter)
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	21,258 (5)	I	Grantor Trust (fbo son)
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	148,374.435 (6)	I	SERP Account
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	2 (7)	I	Trust (fbo wife)

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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sl
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.2	09/02/2010		M	79,965	<u>(8)</u>	01/16/2012	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	79,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NEITHERCUT DAVID J

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 X President & CEO

CHICAGO, IL 60606

Signatures

s/ By: Yasmina Duwe, Attorney-in-fact 09/03/2010

**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) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future.
- Represents shares acquired through profit sharing contributions and dividend reinvestment activity in the reporting person's account with (2) the Equity Residential Advantage 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan, a plan qualified under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Such shares represent acquisitions through July 9, 2010.
- (3) Represents shares beneficially owned by a family limited partnership, of which the reporting person is the general partner.
- Represents shares beneficially owned by a trust for the benefit of the reporting person's daughter. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- Represents shares beneficially owned by a trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (6) Represents shares owned by Principal Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, for the benefit of the reporting person.
- Represents shares beneficially owned by a trust for the benefit of the reporting person's wife. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (8) Represents share options scheduled to vest in three equal installments on January 16, 2003, January 16, 2004 and January 16, 2005.

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