

WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MOORE WILLIAM B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

818 SW KANSAS AVENUE

(Street)

TOPEKA, KS 66612

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
07/01/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting 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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock, par value \$5.00	03/08/2010		G ⁽¹⁾	V 20,660 D \$ 0	286,076 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock, par value \$5.00	07/01/2010		F ⁽³⁾	163 D \$ 21.865	285,913 ⁽⁴⁾	D	
Common Stock, par value \$5.00	03/08/2010		G ⁽¹⁾	V 20,660 A \$ 0	102,985	I	By trust ⁽⁵⁾

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- (3) Forfeiture of 163 shares for the payment of taxes upon the vesting and deferral of 7,800 restricted share units granted to the reporting person on 7/2/2007. The acquisition of the restricted share units was reported at the time of grant.
- (4) Includes 139,400 restricted share units and performance-based restricted share units that are subject to forfeiture.
- (5) Shares are held in a trust, of which the reporting person is both a co-trustee and beneficiary of the trust.
- (6) Includes 17 shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends.
- (7) Shares are held in a trust, of which the reporting person is a co-trustee.

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