FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| STATEMENT | OF CHANGES | IN BENEFICIAL | OWNERSHIP |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* STANLEY CHARLES B | | | | | 2 | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol QEP RESOURCES, INC. [QEP] | | | | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | | |
|---|--|---|----------|----------------|--|---|--------------|--|----------------------------------|---------|--|---------------|-------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) 1050 177 | , | First) Γ, SUITE 500 | (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2012 X Officer (give title below) below) President and CEO | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Street) DENVE | R C | 0 | 80265 | | 4 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | 6. Inc Line) | Form file | d by On | o Filing (Check Applicable e Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (9 | State) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | 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/Ye | | Execution Date | | · | Code (Instr. | | | | | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amoun | | (A) or (D) | Price | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (1113411 4) | | | | |
| Common Stock | | 03/0 |)5/201 | 12 | | | | F | | 22,70 | 05(1) | D | \$32. | .22 | 393,403 ⁽²⁾ | | D | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 12,022.1664 ⁽³⁾ | | 564 ⁽³⁾ I | | Employee Investment Plan | | | |
| | 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) | erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Tra | | | | Transa Code (| nsaction of Derivative 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 of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ir 3 and 4) | | | nstr. Derivative d Security (Instr. 5) E | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | 10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr. | ip of In Ben Own ct (Inst | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Expiration Exercisable Date | | Title | Nu | nount or ımber of nares | | | | | | | | | | |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$0.00 | | | | | | | | | (4) (4) | | (4) | Phanto: Stock Units | 53 | 53,022.9799 | | | 53,022 | 2.9799 D | | | | |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$0.00 | | | | | | | | | (5) |) (5) | | Phanto: Stock Units | | 77,190 | | | 77,1 | 7,190 D | | | | |
| Stock Option | \$39.07 | | | | | | | | | (6) | 02/ | 25/2018 | Commo Stock | | 63,58 | 8 | | 63,5 | 588 | D | | | |
| Stock Option | \$30.9 | | | | | | | | | (7) | 02/ | 13/2019 | Commo Stock | | 90,35 | 0 | | 90,3 | 350 | D | | | |
| Stock Option | \$27.84 | | | | | | | | | (8) | 02/ | 13/2015 | Commo Stock | | 60,00 | 0 | | 60,0 | 000 | D | | | |
| Stock Option | \$9.19 | | | | | | | | 08/1 | 11/2003 | 02/ | 11/2013 | Commo | | 150,00 | 00 | | 150, | 000 | D | | | |
| Stock Option | \$26.14 | | | | | | | | 02/0 | 01/2010 | 10/ | 24/2012 | Commo | | 200,00 | 00 | | 200, | 000 | D | | | |
| Stock Option | \$27.55 | | | | | | | П | | (9) | 03/ | 05/2017 | Commo | | 62,00 | 0 | | 62,0 | 000 | D | | | |
| Stock | \$23.98 | | | | | | | П | | (10) | 03/ | 05/2016 | Commo | on | 108.00 | 00 | | 108. | 000 | D | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. I received a distribution of formerly restricted shares of stock and made an advance election to satisfy my tax payment obligations by withholding shares.
- 2. Some of these shares are held in the CJ Trust of which I am a trustee.
- 3. As of March 5, 2012, I have 12,022.1664 equivalent shares of stock in QEP's Employee Investment Plan. The number of equivalent shares will fluctuate as QEP's stock price changes; this fluctuation does not reflect any transactions that should be reported.
- 4. Phantom stock units will be payable in cash on the date of, or at a designated anniversary date following, the first to occur of the reporting person's (i) separation from service from QEP(subject to 6-month delay if necessary to comply with IRC 409A), (ii) death or (iii) disability, pursuant to the QEP Resources, Inc. Deferred Compensation Wrap Plan. This total includes shares attributable to the 401(k) supplemental program of the Deferred Compensation Wrap Plan. Consequently, share totals may change without any visible activity.
- 5. These phantom stock units are associated with QEP's Long Term Cash Incentive Plan.
- 6. The option vests in three annual installments which began on March 5, 2012, subject to accelerated vesting upon the occurrence of certain events as set forth in the award agreement.
- 7. The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 5, 2013, subject to accelerated vesting upon the occurrence of certain events as set forth in the award agreement.
- 8. This option is fully vested.
- 9. The option vests in three annual installments which began on March 5, 2011, subject to accelerated vesting upon the occurrence of certain events as set forth in the award agreement.
- 10. As of March 5, 2012 this option is fully vested.

Remarks:

Abigail L. Jones, Attorney in **Fact**

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

03/07/2012

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

- * 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).

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