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* <u>Richards Perry H</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol QEP RESOURCES, INC. [QEP]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1050 17TH STREET, SUITE 500						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2011								X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Sr VP, QEP Field Services					
(Street) DENVER CO 80265					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Per Form filed by More than One Re Person											son		
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day						ear) i	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 a			5. Amount Securities Beneficially Owned Fol Reported	y	6. Own Form: (D) or I (I) (Inst	Direct ndirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 and				(instr. 4)	
Common Stock 03/07/2					7/201	011		F		1,296(1)	D	\$38.07	31,744		D				
Common Stock													4,373.1156 ⁽²⁾		I		Employee Investment Plan		
			Table II								posed of converti			Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemond Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	Code (Ins				6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ate	7. Title an of Securit Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 ar	ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		10. Ownersl Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)				
Phantom Stock Units	\$0.00	03/07/2011			A		34.1476		(3)		(3)	Phantom Stock Units	34.1476	\$38.07	2,247	7.0479 D			
Phantom Stock Units	\$0.00								(4)		(4)	Phantom Stock Units	4,778		4,7	,778			
Stock Option	\$39.07								(5)		02/25/2018	Common Stock	9,371		9,3	371 D			
Stock Option	\$9.19								08/11/2	003	02/11/2013	Common Stock	0		3,0	3,000			
Stock Option	\$23.98								(6)		03/05/2016	Common Stock	0		25,	000	D		
Stock Option	\$27.55							П	(7)		03/05/2017	Common	0		15,	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 selling shares to QEP.
- 2. As of March 7, 2011, I have 4,373.1156 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.
- 3. Vested shares of 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.
- 4. These phantom stock units are associated with QEP's Long Term Cash Incentive Plan.
- 5. The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 5, 2012, subject to accelerated vesting upon the occurrence of certain events as set forth in the award agreement.
- 6. The option vests in three annual installments which began on March 5, 2010, 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 which began on March 5, 2011, subject to accelerated vesting upon the occurrence of certain events as set forth in the award agreement.

Remarks:

Abigail L. Jones, Attorney in

03/08/2011

Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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