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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br><u>LOYD PEGGY S</u><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><u>818 S. KANSAS AVE.</u><br><br>(Street)<br><u>TOPEKA KS 66612</u><br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [ WR ]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)<br><br>Director 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><u>VP, Customer Care</u> |
|   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br><u>04/01/2007</u>              |   |
|   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                           | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><br>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  | 04/01/2007                           |  | F <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 1,777   | D          | \$27.655 | 19,868  | D  |   |
| Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00  | 04/02/2007                           |  | A <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 3,900   | A          | \$0      | 23,778 <sup>(3)</sup>   | D  |   |
| Common Stock, Par Value \$5.00  |                                      |  |                                |   |   |            |          | 944   | I  | Held in 401(k) 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) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) |   | 5. Number 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 (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |   |  |

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Forfeiture of 1,777 shares upon the vesting of 5,314 restricted share units granted to the reporting person in 2005. The grant of the restricted share units was reported at the time of grant.
- Issuer grant of restricted share units that will vest in one-third installments on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date if the reporting person remains continuously employed through each vesting date; provided, however, that the restricted share units will vest on a pro-rated basis in the event of a qualifying termination (i.e., termination without cause by the issuer, for good reason by the reporting person, or upon the reporting person's death, retirement or disability).
- Includes 3,900 restricted share units that are subject to forfeiture and 10 shares acquired through the reinvestment of dividends.

**Remarks:**

Cynthia S. Couch by power of attorney 04/03/2007

\*\* 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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