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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(State)

(Zip)

Jones Abigail L Issuer Symbol QEP RESOURCES, INC. [QEP] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 1050 17TH STREET, SUITE 500 03/28/2011 below) below) VP-Comp/Corp Sec/AGC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

> Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **DENVER, CO 80265** Person

(City)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 23,262.282 D Stock

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)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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| 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. D So (I |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------|---|--|------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 | 03/28/2011 | | A | 1.189 | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Phantom Stock Units | 1.189 | 5 |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 | | | | | (2) | (2) | Phantom Stock Units | 1,835 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 39.07 | | | | | (3) | 02/25/2018 | Common Stock | 3,598 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 27.55 | | | | | <u>(4)</u> | 03/05/2017 | Common Stock | 0 | |
| Stock Option | \$ 23.98 | | | | | <u>(5)</u> | 03/05/2016 | Common Stock | 0 | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Jones Abigail L

DENVER, CO 80265

1050 17TH STREET, SUITE 500

VP-Comp/Corp Sec/AGC

Signatures

Abigail L. Jones, Attorney 03/29/2011 in Fact

**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).
- 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.
- (2) These phantom stock units are associated with QEP's Long Term Cash Incentive Plan.

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- (3) 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.
- (4) 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.
- (5) 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.

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