

QEP RESOURCES, INC.
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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 *
Neese Jay B

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1050 17TH STREET, SUITE 500
(Street)

DENVER, CO 80265

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
QEP RESOURCES, INC. [QEP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/22/2012

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)
Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock					126,808	D	
Common Stock					30,618.34 ⁽¹⁾	I	Employee Investment Plan

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

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- (1) As of March 22, 2012, I have 30,618.34 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.
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.
- (2) These phantom stock units are associated with QEP's Long Term Cash Incentive Plan.
- (3) 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.
- (4) 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.
- (5) This option is fully vested.
- (6) 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.
- (7)

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