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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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value (1) Common

Stock,

value

\$0.01 par

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Richards Perry H Issuer Symbol QEP RESOURCES, INC. [QEP] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction 10% Owner (Month/Day/Year) Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O QEP RESOURCES, INC., 1050 07/01/2010 below) below) 17TH STREET, SUITE 500 Sr VP, QEP Field Services (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **DENVER, CO 80265** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 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) (Instr. 8) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Stock. 07/01/2010 5.118 \$0 28,956 (2) D Α Α \$0.01 par

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

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(3)

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of or 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) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option | \$ 9.186 | 07/01/2010 | | J | 3,000 | 08/11/2003 | 02/11/2013 | Common Stock | 3,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 23.977 | 07/01/2010 | | J | 25,000 | <u>(5)</u> | 03/05/2016 | Common Stock | 25,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 27.549 | 07/01/2010 | | J | 15,000 | <u>(6)</u> | 03/05/2017 | Common Stock | 15,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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C/O QEP RESOURCES, INC. 1050 17TH STREET, SUITE 500 DENVER, CO 80265

Sr VP, QEP Field Services

Signatures

/s/ Abigail L. Jones, Attorney-in-Fact 07/06/2010

**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).
- (1) On June 30, 2010 (the "Distribution Date"), Questar Corporation ("Questar") consummated the spin-off of its wholly owned subsidiary, QEP Resources, Inc. ("QEP"), by distributing all of the shares of QEP that it owned to Questar shareholders of record as of the close of business on June 18, 2010 (the "Record Date"). The distribution was made to the Questar shareholders on a pro rata basis by means of a

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share dividend pursuant to which each shareholder received 1 share of QEP common stock for every 1 share of Questar common stock held by such shareholder. Each holder as of the Record Date of Questar restricted stock that remained outstanding immediately prior to the Distribution Date also participated in the dividend, and received 1 share of QEP restricted stock for every 1 share of Questar restricted stock held by such holder.

- (2) Includes 9,005 shares of common stock and 14,833 shares of restricted stock acquired as a result of the share dividend described in footnote (1) above.
- (3) Acquired as a result of the share dividend described in footnote (1) above.
- These options were originally granted to the reporting person by Questar. In connection with the spin-off, these options were split into options to acquire Questar common stock and QEP common stock in accordance with that certain Employee Matters Agreement dated June 14, 2010 between Questar and QEP.
- (5) The option vests in three annual installments which began on March 5, 2010.
- The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 5, 2011, subject to accelerated vesting upon the occurrence of certain events as set forth in the award agreement.

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