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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Ad LANE RICH	•	ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO [SWN]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner Specify Other (specify			
SUITE 125,	2350 N. SAN	Л	07/25/2008	below) below) Pres. E&P and EVP SWN			
HOUSTON	PARKWAY	EAST		Ties. Deer and DVI SWIV			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
HOUSTON	TX 77032			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			

HOUSTON, TX 77032

(City)	(State) (Table Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/25/2008		M(1)	29,512	A	\$ 0.93	578,278	D	
Common Stock	07/25/2008		<u>J(1)</u>	29,512	D	\$0	548,766	D	

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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 stionDerivative Securities b) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		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 Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.93	07/25/2008		M <u>(1)</u>		29,512	12/14/2001	12/14/2010	Common Stock	29,512

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LANE RICHARD F SUITE 125

2350 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST

Pres. E&P and EVP SWN

HOUSTON, TX 77032

Signatures

/s/ Melissa D. McCarty, Attorney-in-Fact for Richard F.
Lane
07/28/2008

**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).

The cash option exercise is being executed at the direction of the reporting person's ex-wife pursuant to a Qualified Domestic Relations

(1) Order entered on April 4, 2007. The reporting person transferred the 29,512 shares of common stock resulting from the option exercise to his ex-wife immediately upon receipt. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of any securities owned by his ex-wife.

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