

SCHARLAU CHARLES E  
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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 \*  
SCHARLAU CHARLES E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO  
[SWN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/06/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

SUITE 125, 2350 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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HOUSTON, TX 77032

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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	02/01/2012		J(1)	V	100,000	A	\$ 0 100,000	I	Charles Scharlau 2012 GRAT; Charles Scharlau, Trustee
Common Stock	02/01/2012		J(1)	V	100,000	D	\$ 0 430,669	D	
Common Stock	06/24/2012		W	V	8,000	D	\$ 0 0	I	By Spouse

Common Stock	06/24/2012		W	V	8,000	A	\$ 0	8,000	I	by Charles E. Scharlau III Trust, Charles Scharlau, Trustee
Common Stock	11/26/2012		J <sup>(2)</sup>	V	19,300	D	\$ 0	50,379	I	by Charles Scharlau 2010 GRAT; Charles Scharlau, Trustee
Common Stock	11/26/2012		J <sup>(2)</sup>	V	19,300	A	\$ 0	449,969	D	
Common Stock	12/06/2012 <sup>(3)</sup>		A		2,400	A	\$ 0	452,369	D	
Common Stock								523,794	I	by Family LLC

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)

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.5	12/06/2012 <sup>(3)</sup>		A	4,870	12/06/2013 <sup>(4)</sup>	12/06/2019	Common Stock	4,870
	\$ 36.87					12/08/2012	12/08/2018		4,450

Stock Options (Right to Buy)				Common Stock	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.22	12/09/2011	12/09/2017	Common Stock	4,550
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.73	12/10/2010	12/10/2016	Common Stock	3,960
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.68	12/11/2009	12/11/2015	Common Stock	5,270
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.18	12/13/2008	12/13/2014	Common Stock	6,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.335	12/11/2007	12/11/2013	Common Stock	6,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHARLAU CHARLES E SUITE 125 2350 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST HOUSTON, TX 77032	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Melissa D. McCarty, Attorney-in-fact for Mr. Scharlau

12/10/2012

\_\_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 February 1, 2012, 100,000 shares of stock were transferred into a 2012 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust ("2012 GRAT") for the reporting person. The reporting person is the Trustee for the 2012 GRAT, and has indirect beneficial ownership of the stock.
  - (2) On November 26, 2012, 19,300 shares of stock were transferred out of the Charles Scharlau 2010 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust ("Charles Scharlau 2010 GRAT") and registered in the name of the reporting person. Therefore, the reporting person now has direct

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beneficial ownership of the stock.

- (3) Restricted stock and nonqualified stock options granted in consideration of services as a director.
- (4) Nonqualified stock options become exercisable in three equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date specified in Column 3 or immediately upon death, disability, retirement at age 65, or a change in control.

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