

TERWILLIGER JOHN F  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
TERWILLIGER JOHN F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HOUSTON AMERICAN ENERGY CORP [HUSA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
801 TRAVIS STREET, SUITE 1425  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
04/20/2012

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

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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(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  |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/20/2012                           |  | S(1)                           |   | 352,156   | D  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | \$ 1.9923 (2)   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/23/2012                           |  | S(1)                           |   | 154,380   | D  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | \$ 1.8419 (3)   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/24/2012                           |  | S(1)                           |   | 478,983   | A  |   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | \$ 1.735 (4)  |  |   |

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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to buy)                | \$ 7.2   |                                      |  |                                |   | 06/02/2008 <sup>(5)</sup> 06/02/2018                     | Common Stock  | 900,000                       |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| TERWILLIGER JOHN F<br>801 TRAVIS STREET<br>SUITE 1425<br>HOUSTON, TX 77002 | X             | X         | President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ John F.  
Terwilliger 04/24/2012

\*\*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) Pledged shares sold by Morgan Stanley Smith Barney as creditor of John Terwilliger to cover margin calls.
- (2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$1.89 to \$2.26. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price.
- (3) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$1.80 to \$1.85. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price.
- (4)

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This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$1.65 to \$1.92. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price.

- (5) The options vest and are exercisable in 1/6 increments on each anniversary of the date of grant. The date exercisable is the first vesting date.

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