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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Rosetta Resources Inc. [ROSE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
0	(Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2011				
	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 Person			
	(Middle)	Symbol Rosetta Resources Inc. [ROSE] (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 0 01/03/2011 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	if Transaction(A Code (In		4. Securities Acquin(A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/03/2011	01/03/2011	Code V F	Amount 1,483 (1)	(D) D	Price \$ 37.935	(Instr. 3 and 4) 39,287	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2011	01/04/2011	F	498 (1)	D	\$ 38.005	38,789	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2011	01/04/2011	A(2)	3,529	A	\$0	42,318	D	

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)

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Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amour	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)			,	Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Maxwell Gerald Lewis 717 TEXAS SUITE 2800 HOUSTON, TX 77002

Vice President, Human Resources

Signatures

/s/ Karen Paganis for Gerald Lewis Maxwell

01/05/2011

**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) Shares withheld for tax liability upon vesting of Restricted Stock.
- (2) Restricted Stock awarded under the 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan. 25% of such shares will vest January 4, 2012, and January 4, 2013, respectively, and the remaining 50% will vest January 4, 2014, if continually employed by the company through such period.

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