#### WESTAR ENERGY INC/KS

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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SOMMA ANTHONY D			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol WESTAR ENERGY INC /KS [WR]				<b>5</b>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check all applicable)				
818 S KANSAS AVE			(Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2016					Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  SVP, CFO and Treasurer			
	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person					
TOPEKA, KS 66612								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	y (Month/Day/Year) Execution I		n Date, if	Date, if Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Beneficial Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4)  Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)  (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock Par Value \$5.00	01/01/2016			F <u>(1)</u>	3,042	D	\$ 42.6225	33,266 (2)	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)

	1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security or (Instr. 3) P.		or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/Year) e		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	ying ies	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

SOMMA ANTHONY D 818 S KANSAS AVE **TOPEKA, KS 66612** 

SVP, CFO and Treasurer

## **Signatures**

Cynthia S. Couch by power of attorney

01/05/2016

\*\*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).
- Forfeiture of 3,042 shares for the payment of taxes upon the vesting of 9,180 restricted share units granted on 2/28/13. The grant of the restricted share units was reported at the time of grant.
- (2) Includes 18,580 restricted share units that are subject to forfeiture.

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