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(Print or Type	Responses)								
1. Name and A STROHM	Address of Reporting Person BRUCE C	<ul> <li>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</li> <li>EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]</li> </ul>	Issuer						
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Checi	all applicable)					
TWO NOR PLAZA, SU	TH RIVERSIDE JITE 400	(Month/Day/Year) 09/14/2012	below)	_X Officer (give title Other (specify					
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Jo	nt/Group Filing(Check					
CHICAGO	, IL 60606	Filed(Month/Day/Year)		K_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securitie	s Acquired, Disposed of	or Beneficially Owned					
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any	ttion Date, if Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) th/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		ial hip				
Common Shares Of	09/14/2012	Code V Amount (D) S 7,896.767 D	\$ 27,222.239	I SERP					
Beneficial Interest			60.23 <u>(1)</u>	Accou	nt				
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest			2,359.9988 (2)	I 401(k) Plan	)				

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	Deriv
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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	-				(A) or						Repo
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable Date	-	Title	Number		
				~				of			
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner N	<b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>		Relationships					
L C		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
STROHM BRUCE C TWO NORTH RIVERSIDI CHICAGO, IL 60606	E PLAZA, SUITE 400			EVP & General Counsel				
Signatures								
s/ By: Jane Matz, Attorney-in-fact	09/18/2012							
**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) Represents shares owned by Principal Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, for the benefit of the reporting person.

Represents shares acquired through profit sharing contributions and dividend reinvestment activity in the reporting person's account with
 (2) the Equity Residential Advantage 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan, a plan qualified under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Such shares represent acquisitions through July 13, 2012.

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