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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement RARE ELEMENT RESOURCES LTD [REE] **Â** Brown Mark Thomas (Month/Day/Year) 12/11/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 225 UNION BLVD., SUITE (Check all applicable) 250 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner _X__ Director Officer _Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person LAKEWOOD, COÂ 80228 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock D 363,000 Registered Retirement Savings Common Stock Ι 330,000 Plan Common Stock 40,000 I Spartacus Management (1) Common Stock I Pacific Opportunity Capital (2) 882,000 Common Stock I 3,000 **Spouse**

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		Conversion Ownership Be	Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	cisable Date Amount or	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(4)	05/28/2015	Common Stock	100,000	\$ 2.75 (3)	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(6)	03/16/2016	Common Stock	150,000	\$ 10.64 (5)	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(8)	12/02/2016	Common Stock	80,000	\$ 5.3 (7)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Brown Mark Thomas						
225 UNION BLVD.	â v	Â	â	â		
SUITE 250	АЛ	А	A	А		
LAKEWOOD, CO 80228						

Signatures

Mark T. Brown	12/13/2012		
**Signature of	Date		

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Spartacus Management Inc. is a private company wholly-owned by the reporting person.
- (2) Pacific Opportunity Capital Ltd is a private company controlled by the reporting person.
- (3) The exercise price of the Employee Stock Option was CDN\$2.71, which has been converted to the US Dollar equivalent using the exchange rate on December 12, 2012.
- Options vested as follows: 20% of the options vested 4 months from 05/28/2010 ("Grant Date"); 20% of the options vested 8 months from Grant Date; 20% of options vested 15 months from Grant Date; 20% of the options vested 18 months from Grant Date.
- (5) The exercise price of the Employee Stock Option was CDN\$10.50, which has been converted to the US Dollar equivalent using the exchange rate on December 12, 2012.
- Options vested as follows: 20% of the options vested 4 months from 03/16/2011 ("Grant Date"); 20% of the options vested 8 months from Grant Date; 20% of the options vested 12 months from Grant Date; 20% of options vested 15 months from Grant Date; 20% of the options vested 18 months from Grant Date.

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The exercise price of the Employee Stock Option was CDN\$5.23, which has been converted to the US Dollar equivalent using the exchange rate on December 12, 2012.

Options vested as follows: 20% of the options vested 4 months from 12/02/2011 ("Grant Date"); 20% of the options vested 8 months (8) from Grant Date; 20% of the options vested 12 months from Grant Date; 20% of options vested 15 months from Grant Date; 20% of the options vested 18 months from Grant Date.

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