

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO  
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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 \*  
 LANE RICHARD F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO  
 [SWN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 2350 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY  
 EAST, SUITE 300  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/11/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Pres. E&P and EVP SWN

HOUSTON, TX 77032

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/11/2006		A	5,840 A \$0 (1)	563,078	D	
Common Stock					11,827.6324	I	By Nonqualified Retirement Plan

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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 1.5					12/16/2000	12/16/2009	Common Stock	55,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 1.8594					12/14/2001	12/14/2010	Common Stock	109,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 2.41					12/20/2002	12/20/2011	Common Stock	75,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 2.865					12/11/2003	12/11/2012	Common Stock	200,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 5.285					12/10/2004	12/10/2013	Common Stock	127,200
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 12.45					12/09/2005	12/09/2011	Common Stock	59,360
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 35.49					12/08/2006	12/08/2012	Common Stock	23,710
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 40.67	12/11/2006		A	21,850	12/11/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	12/11/2013	Common Stock	21,850

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LANE RICHARD F 2350 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY EAST SUITE 300 HOUSTON, TX 77032			Pres. E&P and EVP SWN	

## Signatures

Melissa D. McCarty, Attorney-in-Fact	12/12/2006
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

## 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).
- (2) Options become exercisable in three equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date specified in Column 3 or immediately upon death, disability, retirement at age 65, or a change in control.
- (1) Restricted stock and options granted in consideration of services as an officer.

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