

Thaeler John D  
Form 4  
August 18, 2010

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Thaeler John D

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)  
SUITE 125, 2350 N. SAM  
HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/17/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
Sr. Vice Pres. of Subsidiary

(Street)  
HOUSTON, TX 77032

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  
\_\_\_\_ 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<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                       | Amount                                                                                                             | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                        | Price                                                             |                |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 08/17/2010                              |                                                             | M                                    |                                                                         | 14,200                                                                                                             | A                                                                       | \$ 6.225                                                          | 172,305.0974 D |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 08/17/2010                              |                                                             | M                                    |                                                                         | 8,374                                                                                                              | A                                                                       | \$ 17.745                                                         | 180,679.0974 D |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 08/17/2010                              |                                                             | M                                    |                                                                         | 6,483                                                                                                              | A                                                                       | \$ 20.335                                                         | 187,162.0974 D |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 08/17/2010                              |                                                             | J <sup>(1)</sup>                     |                                                                         | 130.813                                                                                                            | A                                                                       | \$ 40.5537                                                        | 28,305.0528 I  |

By  
401(k)  
Plan

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |     | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                    |                 |                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V                                                                                                            | (A)                                                            | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                                                 | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)               | \$ 6.225                                                              | 08/17/2010                              |                                                             | M                                       |                                                                                                              | 14,200                                                         |     | 12/09/2005                                                          | 12/09/2011         | Common<br>Stock | 14,200                              |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)               | \$ 17.745                                                             | 08/17/2010                              |                                                             | M                                       |                                                                                                              | 8,374                                                          |     | 12/08/2006                                                          | 12/08/2012         | Common<br>Stock | 8,374                               |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)               | \$ 20.335                                                             | 08/17/2010                              |                                                             | M                                       |                                                                                                              | 6,483                                                          |     | 12/11/2007                                                          | 12/11/2013         | Common<br>Stock | 6,483                               |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                       | Relationships                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                                      | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Thaeler John D<br>SUITE 125<br>2350 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST<br>HOUSTON, TX 77032 | Sr. Vice Pres. of Subsidiary     |

## Signatures

/s/ Melissa D. McCarty, Attorney-in-Fact for Mr.  
Thaeler

08/18/2010

\*\*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) Purchased through the Company's 401(k) Plan from December 31, 2009, thru August 17, 2010. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of August 17, 2010.

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