

Benz James W
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
Benz James W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GENESEE & WYOMING INC
[GWR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
66 FIELD POINT ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/17/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Operating Officer

GREENWICH, CT 06830

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Class A Common Stock, \$.01 par value	02/17/2012		A	17,042	A	\$ 60.56 (1) (2)	67,328 (3) D
Class A Common Stock, \$.01 par value	02/17/2012		S	14,484	D	\$ 60.56	52,844 D

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

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- (2) Represents the weighted average sales price increments ranging from \$60.33 to \$60.83.
- (3) All shares are held in a joint account with spouse.
- (4) This option award was granted under the Genesee & Wyoming Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan and vested in three equal installments beginning May 27, 2009.
- (5) This option award was granted under the Genesee & Wyoming Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan and vested in three equal installments beginning February 26, 2010.

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