Western Gas Partners LP Form 4 May 09, 2013

FORM 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **CRANE JAMES R** Issuer Symbol Western Gas Partners LP [WES] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner

Officer (give title Other (specify 1201 LAKE ROBBINS DRIVE 05/09/2013 below) (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

(State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Units

(City)

Representing 675,936.922 Limited

Partnership Interests

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 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. Transactic 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	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Phantom Units	(1)	05/09/2013		A	1,280	05/09/2014	05/09/2014	Common Units Representing Limited Partnership Interests	1,280

Reporting Owners

THE WOODLANDS, TX 77380

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CRANE JAMES R						
1201 LAKE ROBBINS DRIVE	X					

Signatures

/s/ Linda Mansker by power of atty. for James R.

Crane 05/09/2013

**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) Each Phantom Unit is the economic equivalent of one WES Common Unit representing limited partnership interests, and upon vesting, entitled to receive a common unit.

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