

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO  
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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 \*  
**KERLEY GREGORY 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)  
 2350 N. SAM HOUSTON  
 PARKWAY EAST, SUITE 300

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/09/2004

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Exec. VP & CFO

(Street)  
 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/09/2004		A		4,580	A	\$ 0 (1)
Common Stock	12/09/2004		J(2)		82.3708	A	\$ 42.3
Common Stock	12/09/2004		J(3)		61.9054	A	\$ 0
							156,171
							2,787.787
							6,354.6605
							D
							I
							I
							By 401(k) plan
							By Nonqualified Retirement Plan

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. 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)	\$ 6					12/16/2000	12/16/2009	Common Stock	68,25
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 7.3125					09/11/1999	09/11/2008	Common Stock	15,67
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 7.4375					12/14/2001	12/14/2010	Common Stock	100,00
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9.64					12/20/2002	12/20/2011	Common Stock	18,75
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 11.46					12/11/2003	12/11/2012	Common Stock	49,33
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 12.5					12/17/1998	12/17/2007	Common Stock	11,10
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.375					12/08/1996	12/08/2005	Common Stock	3,75
	\$ 14.125					02/27/1997	02/27/2007		200

Stock Options (Right to buy)								Common Stock	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 14.75				12/11/1997	12/11/2006		Common Stock	4,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 21.14				12/10/2004	12/10/2013		Common Stock	31,820
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 49.8	12/09/2004		A	14,840	12/09/2005 <sup>(4)</sup>	12/09/2011	Common Stock	14,840

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KERLEY GREGORY D 2350 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST SUITE 300 HOUSTON, TX 77032			Exec. VP & CFO	

## Signatures

Melissa D. McCarty, Attorney-in-Fact	12/13/2004
<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).
- (1) Granted in consideration of services as an officer.
- (2) Purchased through the Company's 401(k) plan from 8/27/04 thru 11/24/04.
- (3) Purchased through the Company's Nonqualified Retirement Plan from 8/27/04 thru 11/24/04.
- (4) Option becomes exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date specified in Column 3 or immediately upon a change in control.

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