

Jones Abigail L  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 Jones Abigail L

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1050 17TH STREET, SUITE 500  
 (Street)

DENVER, CO 80265

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 QEP RESOURCES, INC. [QEP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/07/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 VP-Comp/Corp Sec/AGC

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

**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  | 24,235.282  | D  |                                   |

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)**

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| 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Phantom Stock Units                        | \$ 0   | 03/07/2013                           |  | A                              | 1.819   | (1) (1)  | Phantom Stock Units   | 1.819                         |
| Phantom Stock Units                        | \$ 0   |                                      |  |                                |   | (2) (2)  | Phantom Stock Units   | 6,754                         |
| Stock Option                               | \$ 27.55   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/05/2013 03/05/2017                                    | Common Stock  | 0                             |
| Stock Option                               | \$ 23.98   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/05/2012 03/05/2016                                    | Common Stock  | 0                             |
| Stock Option                               | \$ 39.07   |                                      |  |                                |   | (3) 02/25/2018   | Common Stock  | 3,598                         |
| Stock Option                               | \$ 30.9  |                                      |  |                                |   | (4) 02/13/2019   | Common Stock  | 4,899                         |
| Stock Option                               | \$ 30.12   |                                      |  |                                |   | (5) 02/13/2020   | Common Stock  | 4,896                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Relationships |           |                      |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer              | Other |
| Jones Abigail L<br>1050 17TH STREET, SUITE 500<br>DENVER, CO 80265 |               |           | VP-Comp/Corp Sec/AGC |       |

## Signatures

Abigail L. Jones                      03/11/2013  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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).

Phantom stock units will be payable in cash on the date of, or at a designated anniversary date following, the first to occur of the reporting person's (i) distribution election date which is not earlier than two years from the plan year (ii) separation from service from QEP (subject to 6-month delay if necessary to comply with IRC 409A), (iii) death or (iv) disability, pursuant to the QEP Resources, Inc. Deferred Compensation Wrap Plan. This total includes shares attributable to the 401(k) supplemental program of the Deferred Compensation Wrap Plan. Consequently, share totals may change without any visible activity.

- (2) These phantom stock units are associated with QEP's Long Term Cash Incentive Plan.
- (3) The option vests in three annual installments which began on March 5, 2012, subject to accelerated vesting upon the occurrence of certain events as set forth in the award agreement.
- (4) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 5, 2013, subject to accelerated vesting upon the occurrence of certain events as set forth in the award agreement.
- (5) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 5, 2014, subject to accelerated vesting upon the occurrence of certain events as set forth in the award agreement.

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