

Lesser David H  
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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 \*  
Lesser David H

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
206 EAST 63RD STREET - FIFTH FLOOR  
(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10021

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Power REIT [PW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/13/2012

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)  
Chairman and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	08/13/2012		A		20,000 (1)	A	\$ 0.01 (4)
Common Stock	08/13/2012		A		100,000 (3)	A	\$ 7.96 (3)
							268,500 (2) (4)
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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 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lesser David H 206 EAST 63RD STREET - FIFTH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10021	X		Chairman and CEO	

## Signatures

David H. Lesser                      08/15/2012  
 \_\_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).
- (1) 20,000 restricted shares of common stock were awarded on August 13, 2012, pursuant to the Trust's 2012 Equity Incentive Plan; the award vests in three-equal annual installments beginning with the first anniversary of the grant.  
 A non qualified stock option to acquire 100,000 common shares ("Option") and 20,000 restricted shares of common stock ("Restricted Stock") were awarded on August 13, 2012, pursuant to the Trust's 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. The Option and Restricted Stock awards vest in three-equal annual installments beginning with the first anniversary of the respective grants. The Options have a 10-year term and a strike price equal to the closing price of the stock on August 13, 2012.
- (2) A non-qualified option to acquire 100,000 shares of common stock were awarded on August 13, 2012, pursuant to the Trust's 2012 Equity Incentive Plan; the award vests in three-equal annual installments beginning with the first anniversary of the grant, have a ten-year term and a strike price equal to the closing price of the stock on August 13, 2012.
- (3) After giving effect to the 8/13/2012 grants to David H. Lesser, Mr. Lesser has beneficial ownership of 268,500 shares: 131,530 directly (including the grants), 85,210 through Hudson Bay Partners LLC, a wholly owned affiliate, and 51,760 through HBP PW LLC, an affiliate managed by David H. Lesser. 99.8% of the share capital of HBP PW LLC has been provided by a third-party investor.

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