EQUITY RESIDENTIAL

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NEAL JOHN E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First TWO NORTH RIV PLAZA, SUITE 400		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2011	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
CHICAGO, IL 60606				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acquir	ed, Disposed of, o	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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (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)		
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	05/02/2011		M	2,998	A	\$ 53.5	11,217.2107 (1)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	05/02/2011		M	7,398	A	\$ 23.07	18,615.2107 (1)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	05/02/2011		S	10,396	D	\$ 60.0034 (2)	8,219.2107 (1)	D	

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Common		
Shares Of	15,694.165	SERP
Beneficial	(3)	Account
Interest		

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 one 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	Amou or Numb of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.5	05/02/2011		M	2,998	<u>(4)</u>	02/08/2017	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	2,99
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.07	05/02/2011		M	7,398	<u>(5)</u>	02/06/2019	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	7,39

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
NEAL JOHN E TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606	X					

Signatures

s/ By: Jane Matz, Attorney-in-fact 05/03/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future.
- The price represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. The shares were sold within a range of \$59.91 to \$60.04. The reporting (2) person will provide, upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) Represents shares owned by Principal Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, for the benefit of the reporting person.
- (4) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on August 8, 2007, February 8, 2008 and February 8, 2009.
- (5) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on February 6, 2010, February 6, 2011 and February 6, 2012.

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