### TENNISON MARK N

Form 4

Common

Shares Of

Beneficial Interest

November 16, 2011

FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION							OMB APPROVAL				
	Washington, D.C. 20549						OMMISSION	OMB Number:	3235-0287		
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(Print or Type R	esponses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TENNISON MARK N			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First) (M	_	te of Earliest T	_	LVI	J	(Check	all applicable	)		
TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400			(Month/Day/Year) 11/14/2011				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
			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 Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)		Zip) ,			••		Person	D 01 1 11			
				_			uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	an	Execution Date any (Month/Day/Y	Code	Transaction(A) or Dispos		of (D)	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			Code V	7 Amount	(D)	Price	(msu. 5 and 4)				
Shares Of Beneficial Interest	11/14/2011		A	999.771 (2)	A	\$ 49.1	36,717.155 (3)	I	SERP Account		
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest							10,881 (1)	D			

401(k)

Plan

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Date		Amount of		Derivative	J
	Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
	(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative			Securities	(Instr. 5)	]	
		Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
Security						Acquired					]	
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						Disposed						-
						of (D)						(
						(Instr. 3,						
						4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration		or			
							Exercisable	Date		Number		
					G 1 17	(A) (B)				of		
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TENNISON MARK N TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606

**Executive Vice President** 

## **Signatures**

s/ By: Jane Matz, Attorney-in-fact

11/16/2011

\*\*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) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future.
- (2) Represents shares acquired through Equity Residential's Employee Share Purchase Plan.
- Represents shares owned by Principal Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan (the (3) "SERP"), for the benefit of the reporting person. Also includes restricted shares that the reporting person deferred to the SERP upon vesting of the shares.
- Represents shares acquired through profit sharing contributions and dividend reinvestment activity in the reporting person's account with (4) the Equity Residential Advantage 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan, a plan qualified under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Such shares represent acquisitions through October 14, 2011.

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