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| Kaufman Ian Form 4 March 18, 20 | | | | | | | | | |
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| FORM | OMB APPROVAL | | | | | | | | |
| | | UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 | | | | | | | |
| Check this if no longe subject to Section 16 Form 4 or Form 5 | er STATEMENT (| STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES | | | | | | | |
| Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 | | | | | | | | | |
| (Print or Type Responses) | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Ac Kaufman Ian | ddress of Reporting Person <u>*</u> 1 | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Tr Symbol EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [| - | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
| (Last) | (First) (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Chee | neek an applicable) | | | | | |
| TWO NORT PLAZA, SUI | 'H RIVERSIDE ITE 400 | (Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2013 | | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Accounting Officer | | | | | |
| | (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | | |
| CHICAGO, | IL 60606 | | | Person | | porting | | | |
| (City) | (State) (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Set | ecurities Acc | quired, Disposed of | , or Beneficial | ly Owned | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | any | eemed 3. 4. Securiti tion Date, if TransactionAcquired Code Disposed th/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 Code V Amount | (A) or 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) | | | | |
| Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest Common | 03/14/2013 | A 3,546 | A \$0 | 10,213.8782 (2) | D | | | | |
| Shares Of Beneficial Interest | | | | 354.416 <u>(3)</u> | Ι | 401(k) 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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exer | cisable and | 7. Titl | e and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------------|---------|--------------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | onNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | Secu |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securi | ities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | Owne |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | | Trans |
| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | T. 1 | Amount or | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | Title | Number | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | of | | |
| | | | | Code v | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|--|--|
| | | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Kaufman Ian TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606 | | | | Chief Accounting Officer | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | |
| s/ By: Jane Matz, Attorney-in-fact | 03/18/2013 | | | | | | |
| <pre>**Signature of Reporting Person</pre> | 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).
- Represents restricted shares scheduled to vest on March 14, 2016 which is a supplemental grant of long-term compensation in recognition of the reporting person's significant contribution in connection with the closing of the Archstone transaction. If the reporting person is retirement eligible (whether through the Rule of 70 or being age 62 or older), these restricted shares will be forfeited if the reporting person voluntarily leaves the Company prior to or on December 31, 2013.
- (2) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future.

Represents shares acquired through profit sharing contributions and dividend reinvestment activity in the reporting person's account with
 (3) 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 January 11, 2013.

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