SCHARLAU CHARLES E

Form 4

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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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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHARLAU CHARLES E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

[SWN]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title _ Other (specify

12/23/2009

SUITE 125, 2350 N. SAM **HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST**

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

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

Issuer

below)

HOUSTON, TX 77032

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tak | ole I - Non- | Derivative | Secu | rities Acqui | red, Disposed of, | or Beneficial | ly 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. Securit corr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4 | ed of | | 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 Stock | 12/23/2009 | | M | 13,760 | A | \$ 6.225 | 375,934 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/23/2009 | | S | 13,760 | D | \$ 50.1234 (1) | 362,174 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 167,614 | I | by Charles Scharlau |

Charles Scharlau,

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| | | | Trustee | | |
|---|---------|---|------------------|--|--|
| Common Stock | 523,794 | I | by Family LLC | | |
| Common Stock | 8,000 | I | By Spouse | | |
| 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 orDerivative 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 | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 6.225 | 12/23/2009 | | M | 13,760 | 12/09/2005 | 12/09/2011 | Common Stock | 13,760 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| reporting 6 wher runte, runtees | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| SCHARLAU CHARLES E SUITE 125 2350 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST HOUSTON, TX 77032 | X | | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | |
| /c/ Malicea D. McCarty, Attorney in fact for Mr | | | | | | |

/s/ Melissa D. McCarty, Attorney-in-fact for Mr.

12/28/2009 Scharlau

> **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).
 - This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$50.06 to \$50.18. The price reported above in Column 4 reflects
- (1) the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide, upon written request, to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected.

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