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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Powers John

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

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

(Check all applicable)

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE

(Month/Day/Year)

04/29/2011

Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Executive Vice President

PLAZA, SUITE 400

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CHICAGO, IL 60606

Interest

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acquir	ed, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or 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 Shares Of Beneficial Interest	04/29/2011		M	2,711	A	\$ 23.55	15,461.7381 (1)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	04/29/2011		M	5,532	A	\$ 29.25	20,993.7381 (1)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial	04/29/2011		M	8,052	A	\$ 31.76	29,045.7381 (1)	D	

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Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	04/29/2011	M	5,635	A	\$ 42.8	34,680.7381 (1)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	04/29/2011	S	21,930	D	\$ 59.1691 (2)	12,750.7381 (1)	D	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest						262.3874 (3)	I	401(k) Plan
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest						11,299.72 (4)	I	SERP Account

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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)	\$ 23.55	04/29/2011		M	2,711	<u>(5)</u>	02/07/2013	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	2,71
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.25	04/29/2011		M	5,532	<u>(6)</u>	01/27/2014	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	5,53
	\$ 31.76	04/29/2011		M	8,052	<u>(7)</u>	02/03/2015		8,05

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Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)							Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 42.8	04/29/2011	М	5,635	(8)	02/03/2016	Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest	5,63

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Powers John

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606

Executive Vice President

Signatures

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

05/02/2011

**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 along with shares acquired through dividend reinvestments.
- The price represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. The shares were sold within a range of \$59.00 to \$59.315. The

 (2) reporting 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.
- 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 April 8, 2011.
- (4) Represents shares owned by Principal Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, for the benefit of the reporting person.
- (5) Represents share options scheduled to vest on February 7, 2006.
- (6) Represents share options scheduled to vest in two equal installments on January 27, 2006 and January 27, 2007.
- (7) Represents share options scheduled to vest in three equal installments on February 3, 2006, February 3, 2007 and February 3, 2008.
- (8) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on February 3, 2007, February 3, 2008 and February 3, 2009.

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