

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO

Form 4

December 12, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Hammons Gene A

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO
[SWN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2350 N. SAM HOUSTON
PARKWAY EAST, SUITE 300

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/08/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Vice President

(Street)
HOUSTON, TX 77032

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
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (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 Stock	12/08/2005		A	3,810	A	\$ 0 (1)	3,810 D

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)**

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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 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 35.49	12/08/2005		A	13,550	12/08/2006 ⁽²⁾ 12/08/2012	Common Stock	13,550

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hammons Gene A 2350 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST SUITE 300 HOUSTON, TX 77032			Vice President	

Signatures

Melissa D. McCarty, Attorney-in-Fact for Gene A.
Hammons

12/12/2005

__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).

(2) Option becomes exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date specified in Column 3 or immediately upon a change in control.

(1) Restricted stock and options granted in consideration of services as an officer.

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