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SECURITIES

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

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(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wetzel Mark L

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/03/2006

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chief Accounting Officer

PLAZA, SUITE 400

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

Person

(Street)

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

CHICAGO, IL 60606

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Shares of

1,508 A $A^{(1)}$ 02/03/2006 $7,838 \frac{(2)}{}$ D

Beneficial Interest

Common Shares of **SERP** 14,304 (3) Ι Beneficial Account

Interest

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 or (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	e Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of Sha	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.55					02/07/2005	02/07/2013	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	4,0	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.2					01/16/2003	01/16/2012	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	6,8	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.25					01/27/2005	01/27/2014	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	8,2	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.76					02/03/2006	02/03/2008	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	7,	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.8	02/03/2006		A	5,108	02/03/2007	02/03/2017	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	5,	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Wetzel Mark L					
TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400			Chief Accounting Officer		
CHICAGO IL 60606					

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By: Barbara Shuman, Attorney-in-fact

02/07/2006

**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) Shares reported on this line are owned directly and some are subject to vesting.
- (4) Share options reported on this line become exercisable in three equal installments on February 3, 2007, February 3, 2008 and February 3, 2009.
- (1) The Restricted shares reported in this grant are scheduled to vest on February 3, 2009.
- (3) Shares reported herein are owned by the Security Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Retirement Plan for the benefit of the reporting person and were acquired through Equity Residential's Employee Share Purchase Plan.

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