

Silverstein Evan Jay  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Silverstein Evan Jay

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1000 MAIN STREET, 12TH  
FLOOR

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
RRI ENERGY INC [RRI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/19/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>stock                       | 05/19/2010                              |                                                             | A                                       | (A)<br>or<br>(D)<br>A<br>(1)                                               | 14,040<br>\$ 0 83,718                                                                                              | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price<br>of<br>Deriva<br>Securi<br>(Instr. |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code V (A) (D)                          |                                                                                                                 | Date<br>Exercisable Expiration<br>Date                         | Title                                                               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares        |
| Cash<br>Units                                       | (2)                                                                   | 05/19/2010                              |                                                             | A                                       | 6,915                                                                                                           | (2) (2)                                                        | Common<br>Stock                                                     | 6,915 \$ 0                                    |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                              | Relationships                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                             | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Silverstein Evan Jay<br>1000 MAIN STREET<br>12TH FLOOR<br>HOUSTON, TX 77002 | X                                |

## Signatures

/s/ Evan J.  
Silverstein 05/21/2010

\_\_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).

Comprised entirely of restricted stock units. In accordance with the Non-Employee Directors' Compensation Program effective January 1,

(1) 2010, each non-employee director of RRI Energy, Inc. receives an annual grant of restricted stock units under the terms of the RRI Energy, Inc. 2002 Long Term Incentive Plan.

(2) Each cash unit is the economic equivalent of one share of RRI Energy, Inc. common stock. The cash units are payable in cash within 90 days after the director terminates service as a member of the Board.

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