#### ARENA RESOURCES INC

Form 4

August 22, 2008

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Woodrum C	Person * 2. Issuer Symbol	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
		ARENA RESOURCES INC [ARD]				(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	(iddle) 3. Date of	3. Date of Earliest Transaction						
	(Month/D	(Month/Day/Year)				_X_ Director		Owner Owner	
4115 S. LEV	08/20/2	08/20/2008				Officer (giv below)	te title Other below)	er (specify	
	4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Mor	Filed(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
TULSA, OK									
(City)	(State) (	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio				Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/20/2008	08/20/2008	C	40,000	A	\$ 2.4	43,000	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquirect (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	s 1	te	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secui (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 4.15					01/01/2006	07/01/2010	Common Stock	25,000 (1) (2)	
Stock Option	\$ 37.85					12/17/2008	06/17/2013	Common Stock	25,000 (2)	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Woodrum Clayton Eugene 4115 S. LEWIS TULSA, OK 74105	X						

# **Signatures**

Clayton E.
Woodrum

\*\*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) Adjusted to reflect a 2 for 1 stock split effective 10/29/07
- (2) Options are exercisable for 20% of the underlying shares, per year, over five years.

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