

HOUSTON AMERICAN ENERGY CORP

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
TAWES ORRIE LEE

(Last) (First) (Middle)

NORTHEAST SECURITIES,  
INC., 100 WALL STREET, 8TH  
FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10005

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HOUSTON AMERICAN ENERGY  
CORP [HUSA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/23/2012

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)

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**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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/23/2012		J <sup>(1)</sup>	80,559 D \$ 5.5507	3,167,451	D	
Common Stock	03/26/2012		J <sup>(1)</sup>	50,000 D \$ 5.6214	3,117,451	D	
Common Stock	03/27/2012		J <sup>(1)</sup>	42,700 D \$ 5.75	3,074,751	D	
Common Stock					119,034	I	By spouse

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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. 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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2					02/12/2006	08/12/2015	Common Stock	20,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5.45					11/21/2007	05/21/2017	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.2					12/02/2008	06/02/2018	Common Stock	3,333
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.05					12/09/2009	06/09/2019	Common Stock	3,333
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.08					12/15/2010	06/15/2020	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.07					12/13/2011	06/13/2011	Common Stock	25,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TAWES ORRIE LEE NORTHEAST SECURITIES, INC. 100 WALL STREET, 8TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10005	X	X		

## Signatures

Michael Sanders, Attorney in Fact	03/27/2012
**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) Pledged shares sold by lender pursuant to margin requirements.

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