Clayton John Dewey Form 4 February 21, 2012

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 Clayton Jo	Address of Report hn Dewey	ting Person *	2. Issuer Name Symbol	and Ticker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			Rosetta Resou	rces Inc. [ROSE]	(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earlies	st Transaction					
			(Month/Day/Yea	r)	Director		_ 10% Owner		
717 TEXAS, SUITE 2800			02/16/2012		_X_ Officer (give below)	titlebelow			
					Sr. V.P.,	Asset Dev	elopment		
(Street)			4. If Amendment	, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
			Filed(Month/Day/	Year)	Applicable Line)				
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HOUSTON	N, TX 77002				Form filed by M Person	lore than O	ne Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - No	on-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of	, or Benef	ficially Owned		
1.Title of	2. Transaction	Date 2A. Deem	ied 3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature		

. •	Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Deficiciany 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. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	02/16/2012		A	16,008	A	\$0	134,114	D			
Common Stock	02/16/2012		F	5,834 (1)	D	\$ 50.89	128,280	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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ies	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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						Date	Expiration		Or Number		
						Exercisable	Date		Number		
				C + V	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Clayton John Dewey 717 TEXAS SUITE 2800 HOUSTON, TX 77002

Sr. V.P., Asset Development

Signatures

/s/ Karen Paganis for John Dewey Clayton

02/21/2012

**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) Shares withheld for tax liability upon receipt of Common Stock.

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