

ODONNELL TIMOTHY J  
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 \*  
ODONNELL TIMOTHY J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO  
[SWN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
VP - Assistant Secretary

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
SUITE 125, 2350 N. SAM  
HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2009

HOUSTON, TX 77032

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	12/31/2009		M		1,100 A \$ 17.745	125,876.3984	D
Common Stock	12/31/2009		M		1,464 A \$ 20.335	127,340.3984	D
Common Stock	12/31/2009		M		2,606 A \$ 27.18	129,946.3984	D
Common Stock	12/31/2009		M		461 A \$ 30.68	130,407.3984	D
Common Stock						8,505.936	I By 401(k) Plan

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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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.745	12/31/2009		M		1,100		12/08/2006	12/08/2012	Common Stock	1,100
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.335	12/31/2009		M		1,464		12/11/2007	12/11/2013	Common Stock	1,464
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.18	12/31/2009		M		2,606		12/13/2008	12/13/2014	Common Stock	2,606
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.68	12/31/2009		M		461		12/11/2009	12/11/2015	Common Stock	461
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.225							12/09/2005	12/09/2011	Common Stock	10,000
Phantom Stock	(1)							(2)	(2)	Common Stock	7,542.27(3)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

ODONNELL TIMOTHY J  
SUITE 125  
2350 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST  
HOUSTON, TX 77032

VP - Assistant Secretary

## Signatures

/s/ Melissa D. McCarty, Attorney-in-Fact for Mr.  
O'Donnell

12/31/2009

\_\_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) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive the economic equivalent of one share of Southwestern Energy Company common stock.
- (2) Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash following termination of the reporting person's employment with Southwestern Energy Company. The reporting person may transfer his phantom stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.
- (3) The phantom stock is currently held in the Southwestern Energy Company Nonqualified Retirement Plan (the "NQ Plan") investment fund.

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