Maxwell Gerald Lewis Form 4 December 03, 2010

# 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).

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Maxwell Gerald Lewis			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Rosetta Resources Inc. [ROSE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
717 TEXAS, SUITE 2800			12/01/2010	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President,Human Resources			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
HOUSTON, TX	X 77002		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (4 and 5 (A) or	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)
Common Stock	12/01/2010	12/01/2010	Code V M	Amount 4,797	(D)	Price \$ 18.5	45,567	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2010	12/01/2010	S	4,797	D	\$ 37.622 (1)	40,770	D	
Common Stock	12/02/2010	12/02/2010	M	9,203	A	\$ 18.5	49,973	D	
Common Stock	12/02/2010	12/02/2010	M	1,000	A	\$ 17.775	50,973	D	
Common	12/02/2010	12/02/2010	S	10,203	D	\$ 38.0095	40,770	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ivative Expiration Date ties (Month/Day/Year) red ed of		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of Sh
Non-qualified Stock Option	\$ 17.775	12/02/2010	12/02/2010	M	1,000	02/01/2009	02/01/2018	Common Stock	1
Non-qualified Stock Option	\$ 18.5	12/01/2010	12/01/2010	M	4,797	02/13/2006(3)	11/01/2015	Common Stock	4
Non-qualified Stock Option	\$ 18.5	12/02/2010	12/02/2010	M	9,203	02/13/2006(3)	11/01/2015	Common Stock	9

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Maxwell Gerald Lewis

717 TEXAS SUITE 2800

HOUSTON, TX 77002

Vice President.Human Resources

## **Signatures**

/s/ Karen Paganis for Gerald Lewis
Maxwell 12/03/2010

\*\*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).
- (1) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$37.60 to \$37.645. The price reported above reflects the weighed average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the

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issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$38.00 to \$38.09. The price reported above reflects the weighed average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (3) Options vested 25% on the first anniversary date of grant, 25% on second aniversary date of grant and 50% on third anniversary date of grant.

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