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response...

See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Parrell Mark J.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(First)

EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(Middle)

(7:--

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE

_X__ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

PLAZA, SUITE 400

(Street)

(Ctota)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Executive Vice President & CFO

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

09/07/2010

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CHICAGO, IL 60606

(C:tr.)

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-D | Perivative S | Securi | ities Acquir | ed, Disposed of, o | or Beneficially | y Owned |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--------------|---------|----------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securiti | ed of (| | 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) |
| Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest | 09/07/2010 | | Code V M | Amount 2,215 | (D) | Price \$ 29.25 | (Instr. 3 and 4) 33,708.863 (1) | D | |
| Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest | 09/07/2010 | | S | 2,215 | D | \$ 48.5506 (2) | 31,493.863 (1) | D | |
| Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest | 09/07/2010 | | M | 4,111 | A | \$ 31.76 | 35,604.863 (1) | D | |

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| Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest | 09/07/2010 | S | 4,111 | D | \$ 48.5506 (2) | 31,493.863 (1) | D | |
|---|------------|---|--------|---|----------------------|----------------------|---|-----------------|
| Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest | 09/07/2010 | M | 10,214 | A | \$ 38.57 | 41,707.863 (1) | D | |
| Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest | 09/07/2010 | S | 10,214 | D | \$ 48.5506 (2) | 31,493.863 (1) | D | |
| Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest | | | | | | 686.6817 (3) | I | 401(k) Plan |
| Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest | | | | | | 6,783.984 <u>(4)</u> | I | SERP Account |

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) | n Date, if TransactionDerivative Code Securities | | 6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/ | 7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|---|---|---|--|--|---------|---|--|---|---------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Sl |
| Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 29.25 | 09/07/2010 | | M | 2,215 | <u>(5)</u> | 01/27/2014 | Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest | 2,2 |
| Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 31.76 | 09/07/2010 | | M | 4,111 | <u>(6)</u> | 02/03/2015 | Common Shares Of Beneficial | 4,1 |

Non-qualified
Stock Option \$ 38.57 09/07/2010 M 10,214 (7) 02/07/2018 Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Parrell Mark J. TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606

Executive Vice President & CFO

Signatures

s/ By: Yasmina Duwe, Attorney-in-fact 09/08/2010

**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) Direct total includes restricted shares of the Company scheduled to vest in the future.
- The price represents the weighted average price of the shares sold. The shares were sold within a range of \$48.50 to \$48.68. The reporting person will provide, upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- Represents shares acquired through profit sharing contributions and dividend reinvestment activity in the reporting person's account with (3) the Equity Residential Advantage 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan, a plan qualified under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Such shares represent acquisitions through July 9, 2010.
- (4) Represents shares owned by Principal Trust Company, as Trustee of the Equity Residential Supplemental Executive Retirement Plan, for the benefit of the reporting person.
- (5) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on January 27, 2005, January 27, 2006 and January 27, 2007.
- (6) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on February 3, 2006, February 3, 2007 and February 3, 2008.
- (7) Represents share options scheduled to vest in approximately three equal installments on February 7, 2009, February 7, 2010 and February 7, 2011.

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