

Moreira Julio Cesar Dias
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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 *
 Moreira Julio Cesar Dias

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GRAN TIERRA ENERGY, INC.
 [GTE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Pres., GT Brasil Ltda.

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O GRAN TIERRA ENERGY
 INC., 300, 625 - 11TH AVENUE
 SW
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 03/02/2012

CALGARY, A0 T2R 0E1
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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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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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	03/02/2012		X	A	\$ 25,000 3.95	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2012		S	D	\$ 748 5.88	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2012		S	D	\$ 5,000 5.85	D	
Common Stock					4,000	I	By Saba Investment Holdings

Ltd.

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)
Stock Option (Rt to Buy)	\$ 3.95	03/02/2012		X	25,000	09/08/2010 ⁽¹⁾ 09/07/2019	Common Stock 25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Moreira Julio Cesar Dias C/O GRAN TIERRA ENERGY INC. 300, 625 - 11TH AVENUE SW CALGARY, A0 T2R 0E1			Pres., GT Brasil Ltda.	

Signatures

/s/Sonya Messner,
Attorney-In-Fact 03/05/2012

**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) 1/3rd of the option shares shall vest on 9/8/10, an additional 1/3rd of the option shares shall vest on 9/8/11 and the balance of the option shares shall vest on 9/8/12.

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