

Rosetta Resources Inc.  
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**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Maxwell Gerald Lewis

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1219 HUNTERS PARK WAY

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77055

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Rosetta Resources Inc. [ROSE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/29/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President, Human Resources

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/29/2008	08/29/2008	S	2,000 D \$ 23.2	1,266	D	
Common Stock	08/29/2008		J	1,250 (1) A \$ 0	2,516	D	
Restricted Stock (2)	08/29/2008	08/29/2008	J	1,250 (1) D \$ 0	12,440	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 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.775					Date Exercisable Expiration Date 02/01/2009 02/01/2018	Common Stock	18,875
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.5					Date Exercisable Expiration Date 02/13/2006 10/31/2015	Common Stock	14,000

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Maxwell Gerald Lewis 1219 HUNTERS PARK WAY HOUSTON, TX 77055			Vice President, Human Resources		

### Signatures

Gerald L. Maxwell	09/02/2008
**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) Changes required to reflect formerly restricted stock that has vested, and is now listed as "common stock".
- (2) Restrictions to be lifted as to 25 percent on first anniversary date of grant, 25 percent on the second anniversary date of grant, and 50 percent on the third anniversary date of grant.
- (3) Options vest 25% on first anniversary date of grant, 25% on second anniversary date of grant and 50% on third anniversary date of grant.

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