GULFWEST ENERGY INC

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KAETZER THOMAS R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

GULFWEST ENERGY INC

(Check all applicable)

Senior VP-Operations

[GULF]

04/01/2005

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O GULFWEST ENERGY INC., 480 N.SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST SUITE 300

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Director

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

HOUSTON, TX 77060

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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) Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a 5)) or (D)	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 Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.16	04/01/2005		A	333,333		<u>(1)</u>	04/01/2015	Common Stock	333,33
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.7	04/01/2005		A	666,667		<u>(1)</u>	04/01/2015	Common Stock	666,66

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
KAETZER THOMAS R						
C/O GULFWEST ENERGY INC.			Senior			
480 N.SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST SUITE 300			VP-Operations			
HOUSTON, TX 77060						

Signatures

/s/ Thomas R.
Kaetzer

**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).

The option will become vested and exercisable with respect to 15% of the shares on the first anniversary of the date of grant and thereafter at the end of each full succeeding year from the date of grant the option will become vested and exercisable as follows: 25% on the second anniversary; an additional 25% on the third anniversary and 35% on the fourth anniversary at which time the option will be vested and exercisable with respect to 100% of the Shares.

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