

BENSON RICHARD R

Form 4

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FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BENSON RICHARD R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ENERGY EAST MANAGEMENT
CORPORATION, 89 EAST
AVENUE**

(Street)

ROCHESTER, NY 14649

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ENERGY EAST CORP [EAS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/17/2006

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)
VP & Chief Adm. Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock	02/17/2006		A	9,500	A \$ 24.83	27,217.4279 (1)	D
Common Stock					8,077.0833 (2)	I	By 401(k) Plan

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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) / SAR ⁽³⁾	\$ 23.89					02/12/2004 ⁽⁴⁾ 02/12/2014	Common Stock	6,66
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) /SAR ⁽³⁾	\$ 26.22					04/01/2005 ⁽⁵⁾ 04/01/2015	Common Stock	7,97
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) / SAR ⁽³⁾	\$ 24.83	02/17/2006		A	11,000	02/17/2006 ⁽⁶⁾ 02/17/2016	Common Stock	11,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BENSON RICHARD R ENERGY EAST MANAGEMENT CORPORATION 89 EAST AVENUE ROCHESTER, NY 14649	VP & Chief Adm. Officer

Signatures

Richard R.
Benson 02/20/2006

 **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) Includes equity securities acquired with reinvested dividends which are exempt from reporting under Rule 16a-11.
- (2) Includes equity securities acquired with participant contributions, Company matching fund contributions, and reinvested dividends pursuant to the common stock fund of the Company's 401(k) Plan which are exempt from reporting.

The Stock Appreciation Right (SAR) was issued in tandem with an Employee Stock Option (right to buy). The exercise of a SAR will result in the corresponding cancellation of the Employee Stock Option (right to buy) to the extent of the number of shares of the

- (3) Company's Common Stock as to which SARs are exercised. The exercise of the Employee Stock Option (right to buy) will result in the corresponding cancellation of a SAR to the extent of the number of shares of the Company's Common Stock as to which the Employee Stock Option (right to buy) is exercised.

The option is exercisable in three installments regarding the original number of options granted as follows: (a) in aggregate as to no more

- (4) than 33 1/3% on February 12, 2004; (b) in aggregate as to no more than 66 2/3% on January 1, 2005; and (c) on January 1, 2006 as to 100% of all options which have not been previously exercised.

The option is exercisable in three installments regarding the original number of options granted as follows: (a) in aggregate as to no more

- (5) than 33 1/3% on April 1, 2005; (b) in aggregate as to no more than 66 2/3% on January 1, 2006; and (c) on January 1, 2007 as to 100% of all options which have not been previously exercised.

The option is exercisable in three installments regarding the original number of options granted as follows: (a) in aggregate as to no more

- (6) than 33 1/3% on February 17, 2006; (b) in aggregate as to no more than 66 2/3% on January 1, 2007; and (c) on January 1, 2008 as to 100% of all options which have not been previously exercised.

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