

WISCONSIN ENERGY CORP  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
RAPPE KRISTINE A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WISCONSIN ENERGY CORP  
[WEC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
231 WEST MICHIGAN STREET  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/17/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr. VP, Chief Admin. Officer

MILWAUKEE,, WI 53203

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/17/2012                           |  | M                              | 30,000 A \$ 21.1075   | 36,266.3544 (1)   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 04/17/2012                           |  | S                              | 30,000 (2) D \$ 35.5  | 6,266.3544 (1)  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 16,934.401 (3)  | I  | ERSP  |

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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to buy)                | \$ 21.1075   | 04/17/2012                           |  | M                              | 30,000  | 01/02/2012 01/02/2019                                    | Common Stock  | 30,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |                                       |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                               | Other |
| RAPPE KRISTINE A<br>231 WEST MICHIGAN STREET<br>MILWAUKEE,, WI 53203 |               |           | Sr. VP,<br>Chief<br>Admin.<br>Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Joshua M. Erickson, as  
Attorney-in-Fact

04/18/2012

\*\*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) Includes shares acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of Wisconsin Energy Corporation's Stock Plus Investment Plan in transactions exempt from Section 16 pursuant to Rule 16a-11.

(2) This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 14, 2012.

(3) Includes shares acquired under Wisconsin Energy Corporation's Employee Retirement Savings Plan (ERSP) in transactions exempt from Section 16(b) pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c) and exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 16a-3(f)(1)(i)(B). The number of shares in the ERSP attributable to any one participant varies with the price of the Common Stock. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of March 31, 2012.

(4) This option was previously reported as covering 44,495 shares at an exercise price of \$42.215 per share but was adjusted to reflect the 2-for-1 stock split that occurred on March 1, 2011.

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