Ranta Donald E Form 4 September 26, 2012

## FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(City)

(State)

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ranta Donald E		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RARE ELEMENT RESOURCES LTD [REE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (Fir 225 UNION BLVI	, , ,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/24/2012	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
(Str	eet)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
LAKEWOOD, CO	80228		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	asaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned 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	(D)	Price	(Ilisti. 5 and 4)		
Common Shares	09/24/2012		S	20,000	D	\$ 5 (1) (2)	264,500	D	
Common Shares	09/25/2012		S	30,000	D	\$ 4.8 (3) (4)	234,500	D	
Common Shares	09/26/2012		M	250,000	A	\$ 1.01 (5)	484,500	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.01 (5)	09/26/2012		M		250,000	10/01/2007 <u>(6)</u>	10/01/2012	Common Shares	250

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Ranta Donald E 225 UNION BLVD. SUITE 250 LAKEWOOD, CO 80228	X						

### **Signatures**

/s/ David P. Suleski as Attorney-in-Fact for Donald E.
Ranta 09/26/2012

\*\*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) The weighted average sale price was CDN\$4.9307, which has been converted to the US Dollar equivalent using the exchange rate on the date of the transaction which was 1.022.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from CDN\$4.92 to \$4.95. The price reported above is the weighted average sale price of such trades. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer upon request, full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which each transaction was effected.
- (3) The weighted average sale price was CDN\$4.7296, which has been converted to the US Dollar equivalent using the exchange rate on the date of the transaction which was 1.019.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from CDN\$4.65 to \$4.80. The price reported above is the weighted average sale price of such trades. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer upon request, full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which each transaction was effected.

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- (5) The original exercise price of the grant was CDN\$1.00, which has been converted to the US Dollar equivalent using the exchange rate on the date of the transaction which was 1.0149.
- (6) Options vested as follows: 20% of the options vested 4 months from 10/01/2009 ("Grant Date"); 20% of the options vested 8 months(6) from Grant Date; 20% of the options vested 12 months from Grant Date; 20% of options vested 15 months from Grant Date; 20% of the options vested 18 months from Grant Date.

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