Rosetta Resources Inc.
Form 4
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| See Instruction | 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 |  |
| 1(b). |  |  |

(Print or Type Responses)


HOUSTON, TX 77002
5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

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


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. <br> Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. <br> Transactio <br> Code <br> (Instr. 8) | 5. <br> Number <br> of <br> Derivative <br> Securities <br> Acquired <br> (A) or <br> Disposed <br> of (D) <br> (Instr. 3, <br> 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y | able and ear) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
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|  |  |  |  | Code V | (A) (D) | Date <br> Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| Non-Qualified <br> Stock Option <br> (right to buy) | \$ 16 |  |  |  |  | (2) | 08/01/2015 | Common Stock | 26,250 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 17.775 |  |  |  |  | 02/01/2009 | 02/01/2018 | Common Stock | 18,000 |
| Non-Qualified <br> Stock Option <br> (right to buy) <br> (3) | \$ 18.23 |  |  |  |  | (4) | 02/24/2016 | Common Stock | 8,750 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 18.51 |  |  |  |  | 01/02/2008 | 01/03/2017 | Common Stock | 20,000 |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address |  | Relationships |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Director | $10 \%$ Owner | Officer | Other |

Hickey Michael Harold
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HOUSTON, TX 77002

## Signatures

Michael H.
Hickey
$\stackrel{\text { ** }}{\stackrel{\text { Signature of }}{ }} \underset{\text { Reporting Person }}{ }$
02/25/2008

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## 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. $78 \mathrm{ff}(\mathrm{a})$.
(1) 12,000 shares vested $100 \%$ on $2 / 13 / 06$ and 6,000 shares vest $25 \%, 25 \%$ and $50 \%$ on the three successive anniversary dates of the grant.
(2) The options vests $25 \%$ at date of grant and $25 \%$ at each subsequent anniversary date.
(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.
(4) Options vest $25 \%$ at first anniversary date of grant, $25 \%$ on second anniversary date of grant and $50 \%$ on third anniversary date of grant. Upon vesting, options can then be exercised.
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