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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

A Fink Benjamin Matthew

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

05/21/2009

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Western Gas Partners LP [WES]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below)

SVP, Finance & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

#### THE

1201 LAKE ROBBINS DRIVE

(Street)

WOODLANDS, TXÂ 77380

(State) (City) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

(I) (Instr. 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Direct (D)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5) or Indirect

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative

Security

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Expiration Date Exercisable Date

Title

Amount or Number of Shares

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Fink Benjamin Matthew

1201 LAKE ROBBINS DRIVE SVP, Finance & CFO THE WOODLANDS, TXÂ 77380

# **Signatures**

Linda Mansker by power of atty. for Benjamin M. Fink

05/28/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

No securities are beneficially owned

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

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