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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Orunesu Rafael		ng Person <u>*</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRAN TIERRA ENERGY, INC. [GTE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) C/O GRAN TI INC., 300, 625 S.W.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/17/2010	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Pres., GTE Argentina		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		

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(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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	09/17/2010		M	80,000	A	\$ 0.8	1,849,683	D	

		Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Inst
Common Stock	09/17/2010	M	80,000	A	\$ 0.8	1,849,683	D
Common Stock	09/17/2010	S	79,700	D	\$ 6.63	1,769,983	D
Common Stock	09/17/2010	S	200	D	\$ 6.65	1,769,783	D
Common Stock	09/17/2010	S	100	D	\$ 6.66	1,769,683	D

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount o	
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year	;)	Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (Rt to Buy)	\$ 0.8	09/17/2010		M	80,000	11/10/2006(1)	11/10/2015	Common Stock	80,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Orunesu Rafael

C/O GRAN TIERRA ENERGY INC. 300, 625 11TH AVENUE S.W. CALGARY, A0 T2R 0E1

Pres., GTE Argentina

Signatures

/s/Sonya Messner, Attorney-In-Fact

09/20/2010

**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 Option Shares shall vest and become exercisable in three equal consecutive annual installments commencing on November 10, 2006. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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