

Coffield Dana  
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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 \*  
 Coffield Dana

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) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/08/2011

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 CEO and President

C/O GRAN TIERRA ENERGY INC., 300, 625 11TH AVENUE S.W.

(Street)

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

CALGARY, A0 T2R 0E1

(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	Price	
Common Stock	12/08/2011		X		170,000	A \$ 1.27	2,024,238 D
Common Stock	12/08/2011		X		237,500	A \$ 2.14	2,261,738 D
Common Stock	12/08/2011		X		400,000	A \$ 2.51	2,661,738 D
Common Stock	12/08/2011		S		19,826	D \$ 5.23	2,641,912 D
	12/08/2011		S		700	D	2,641,212 D

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Common Stock					\$ 5.2301		
Common Stock	12/08/2011	S	2,000	D	\$ 5.235	2,639,212	D
Common Stock	12/08/2011	S	68,374	D	\$ 5.24	2,570,838	D
Common Stock	12/08/2011	S	800	D	\$ 5.2401	2,570,038	D
Common Stock	12/08/2011	S	5,000	D	\$ 5.25	2,565,038	D
Common Stock	12/08/2011	S	3,300	D	\$ 5.26	2,561,738	D
Common Stock	12/09/2011	S	3,328	D	\$ 5.22	2,558,410	D
Common Stock	12/09/2011	S	100	D	\$ 5.225	2,558,310	D
Common Stock	12/09/2011	S	27,275	D	\$ 5.23	2,531,035	D
Common Stock	12/09/2011	S	300	D	\$ 5.24	2,530,735	D
Common Stock	12/09/2011	S	18,997	D	\$ 5.25	2,511,738	D
Common Stock	12/09/2011	S	44,300	D	\$ 5.27	2,467,438	D
Common Stock	12/09/2011	S	2,000	D	\$ 5.275	2,465,438	D
Common Stock	12/09/2011	S	3,400	D	\$ 5.28	2,462,038	D
Common Stock	12/09/2011	S	300	D	\$ 5.3	2,461,738	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	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Derivative Security			Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number of Shares
			Code	V (A) (D)				
Stock Option (Rt to Buy)	\$ 1.27	12/08/2011	X	170,000	11/08/2007	11/08/2016	Common Stock	170,000
Stock Option (Rt to Buy)	\$ 2.14	12/08/2011	X	237,500	12/17/2008	12/17/2017	Common Stock	237,500
Stock Option (Rt to Buy)	\$ 2.51	12/08/2011	X	400,000	12/15/2009	12/15/2018	Common Stock	400,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Coffield Dana C/O GRAN TIERRA ENERGY INC. 300, 625 11TH AVENUE S.W. CALGARY, A0 T2R 0E1	X		CEO and President	

## Signatures

/s/Sonya Messner,  
Attorney-In-Fact

12/12/2011

\_\_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).

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