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	FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549						OMMISSION	OMB Number:	3235-0287		
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1(b).											
(Print or Type Re	sponses)										
1. Name and Add Porter J Russe	Symbol Gastar I	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Gastar Exploration USA, Inc. [GST.PR.A]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last)	(First) (Mid	-	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				X_ Director 10% Owner				
1331 LAMA		(Month/Day/Year) 03/13/2012				_X_Officer (give titleOther (specify below) below) President					
				Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
HOUSTON, 7	ГХ 77010						Form filed by M Person				
(City)	(State) (Z	ip) Tab l	le I - Non-De	rivative S	ecurit	ies Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	urity(Month/Day/Year)Executionar. 3)any		Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) /Year) (Instr. 8) (A)			d of (D)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
8.625% Series A			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Cumulative Preferred Securities	03/13/2012		А	165	Α	\$ 19.85	18,364	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)	5. ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 3	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Porter J Russell 1331 LAMAR STREET, SUITE 650 HOUSTON, TX 77010	Х		President				
Signatures							
/s/ Michael A. Gerlich, As Attorney in Fact		03/13/2012	2				
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date					
/s/ Michael A. Gerlich, As Attorney in Fact			2				

Explanation of Responses:

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