

Patteson Donald Douglas Jr  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Patteson Donald Douglas Jr

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Rosetta Resources Inc. [ROSE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 717 TEXAS, SUITE 2800  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/20/2008

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

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	11/20/2008	11/20/2008	P	V	2,000 A \$ 7.15	10,630	D
Restricted Stock <sup>(1)</sup>						7,875	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)**

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16					(2)	07/07/2015	Common Stock	10,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.36					06/14/2006	06/13/2016	Common Stock	5,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.155					05/09/2008	05/09/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.595					05/15/2007	05/15/2017	Common Stock	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Patteson Donald Douglas Jr 717 TEXAS, SUITE 2800 HOUSTON, TX 77002		X		

## Signatures

Michael J. Rosinski  
 11/20/2008  
 \*\*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) Restrictions to be lifted as to 25 percent on first anniversary date of grant, 25 percent on the second anniversary date of grant, and 50 percent on the third anniversary date of grant.
- (2) Options vest 100% at Date of Grant

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