Porter J Russell Form 4/A October 03, 2008

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Porter J Russell

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1331 LAMAR STREET, SUITE 1080

(State)

09/19/2008

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77010

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

Common

Stock

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

GASTAR EXPLORATION LTD [GST]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/19/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year) 09/23/2008

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code

(Instr. 8)

Code V

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

(D) Price Amount

P 50,000 (Instr. 3 and 4)

Transaction(s)

 $1,640,000 \stackrel{(1)}{=}$

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Chief Executive Officer & Pres

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Form filed by More than One Reporting

(D) or

Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

10% Owner

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Form: Direct Indirect

Other (specify

Issuer

below)

Person

_X__ Director

Applicable Line)

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

Following

Reported

X_ Officer (give title

Estimated average

burden hours per

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1.	Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Porter J Russell 1331 LAMAR STREET, SUITE 1080 HOUSTON, TX 77010	X		Chief Executive Officer & Pres				

Signatures

Michael A. Gerlich, Attorney in Fact

10/03/2008

**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).
- Since the date of reporting person's last ownership report, he transferred 1,140,000 shares of GST common stock to his ex-wife pursuant to a domestic relations order. The reporting person no longer reports as beneficially owned any securities owned by his ex-wife.

Remarks:

The Amendment to the Form 4 filed on September 23, 2008 incorrectly stated the amount of Securities Beneficially Owned fo 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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