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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION							OMMISSION	OMB APPROVAL		
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obligations may contin <i>See</i> Instruct 1(b).	ue. Section	17(a) of the	Public Uti	lity Hold	ing Com	•	e Act of 1934, f 1935 or Sectio 40	n		
(Print or Type Re	sponses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Powers John			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol EQUITY RESIDENTIAL [EQR]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check all applicable)			
TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400			(Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2015			Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Executive Vice President				
(Street) CHICAGO, IL 60606			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabla	I Non De		convition A or	Person juired, Disposed of	or Ponoficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. De (Month/Day/Year) Execut any		emed 3. 4. Securities ion Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) /Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			ties (A) or of (D) 4 and 5) (A)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	-	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest					7 inount		294.5254 <u>(1)</u>	I	401(k) Plan	
Common Shares Of Beneficial Interest							1,500.4199	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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number iom f Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	e Expiration I (Month/Day	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	7 (A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Units	<u>(2)</u>	02/05/2015		A	1,781	(3)	02/05/2025	Operating Partnership Units	1,781	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Powers John TWO NORTH RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60606				Executive Vice President		
Signatures						
s/ By: Jane Matz, Attorney-in-fact	02/09/2015					
<u>**</u> 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).

Represents shares acquired through profit sharing contributions and dividend reinvestment activity in the reporting person's account with (1) the Equity Residential Advantage 401(k) Retirement Savings Plan, a plan qualified under Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Such shares represent acquisitions through January 10, 2015.

On February 5, 2015, the reporting person elected to receive a grant of Series 2015B restricted limited partnership interests ("Restricted Units", formerly known as "LTIP Units") in ERP Operating Limited Partnership (the "Operating Partnership"), the operating partnership of Equity Residential (the "Company"), in connection with all or a portion of their performance bonus. Restricted Units are a class of partnership interest that automatically convert into an equal number of limited partnership interests of the Operating Partnership ("OP

(2) Units") when the capital account related to the Restricted Units reaches a specified target for federal income tax purposes (provided such target is reached within ten years of issuance). OP Units are redeemable by the holder for common shares of the Company on a one-for-one basis or the cash value of such shares, at the Company's option. The Restricted Units reflected in this report also include any OP Units into which such Restricted Units automatically convert.

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(3) The Restricted Units vested on February 5, 2015, the date of the grant and remain subject to a two year hold requirement.

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