

Welch Barry Edward
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Welch Barry Edward

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ATLANTIC POWER CORPORATION, 200 CLARENDON ST., FLOOR 25

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ATLANTIC POWER CORP [AT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/29/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
Common Share	02/29/2012		A ⁽⁴⁾	(A) V Amount 89,628 (4)	(D) Price 312,733	D	
Common Share	02/29/2012		D ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 29,876 (4)	D 14.79 282,857 (4)	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. 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)
Notional Unit	<u>(1)</u>	02/29/2012		A	37,746 <u>(2)</u>	<u>(1)</u> <u>(1)</u>	Common Share 37,746
Dividend Equivalent Right	<u>(3)</u>	02/29/2012		A	444 <u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Common Share 444
Notional Unit	<u>(1)</u> <u>(4)</u>	02/29/2012		M	89,628	<u>(1)</u> <u>(1)</u>	Common Share 89,628

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Welch Barry Edward
C/O ATLANTIC POWER CORPORATION
200 CLARENDON ST., FLOOR 25
BOSTON, MA 02116

CEO and President

Signatures

/s/ Barry E. Welch

04/11/2012

__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).

- Each notional unit under the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan represents a right to receive one-third in cash (net of any applicable withholdings) and the remainder in a fractional common share, or (at the election of the reporting person) one common share, or (at the discretion of the board of directors of the Company) cash only.
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 - (2) Represents notional units earned (i.e. for which the performance-based hurdles have been met) pursuant to the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan.
 - (3) Represents dividend equivalent rights accrued on the units previously earned pursuant to the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan. Dividend equivalent rights are credited in notional units. See footnote (1) for economic rights of a notional unit.
 - (4) The reporting person settled one-third of 89,628 units in cash and the remainder in common shares.

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