QEP RESOURCES, INC. Form SC 13D/A September 05, 2014 SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(a)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 4)

QEP Resources, Inc. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (Title of Class of Securities)

74733V100 (CUSIP Number)

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September 3, 2014 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Schedule)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(e), 13d-1(f) or 13d-1(g), check the following box. []

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The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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AGGREGATE **AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY** 11 OWNED BY EACH **PERSON** 12,965,656 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN **12** ROW (11) **EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES** PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 13 (see Item 5) 7.2% TYPE OF REPORTING **PERSON** 14 IA

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This Amendment No. 4 ("Amendment No. 4") amends and supplements the statement on Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on October 21, 2013 (the "Original Schedule 13D"), Amendment No. 1 filed on November 13, 2013 ("Amendment No. 1"), Amendment No. 2 filed on January 13, 2014 ("Amendment No. 2"), and Amendment No. 3 filed on February 24, 2014 ("Amendment No. 3" and together with the Original Schedule 13D, Amendment No. 1, Amendment No. 2 and this Amendment No. 4, the "Schedule 13D") with respect to the shares ("Shares") of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of QEP Resources, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined in this Amendment No. 4 have the meanings set forth in the Schedule 13D. This Amendment No. 4 amends Items 3, 4, 5 and 7 as set forth below.

Item 3. SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF FUNDS OR OTHER CONSIDERATION.

Item 3 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated as follows:

The 12,965,656 Shares reported herein by the Reporting Person were acquired at an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$380 million. Such Shares were acquired with investment funds in accounts managed by the Reporting Person and margin borrowings described in the following sentence. Such Shares are held by the investment funds managed by the Reporting Person in commingled margin accounts, which may extend margin credit to the Reporting Person from time to time, subject to applicable federal margin regulations, stock exchange rules and credit policies. In such instances, the positions held in the margin account are pledged as collateral security for the repayment of debit balances in the account. The margin accounts bear interest at a rate based upon the broker's call rate from time to time in effect. Because other securities are held in the margin accounts, it is not possible to determine the amounts, if any, of margin used to purchase the Shares reported herein.

Item 4. PURPOSE OF TRANSACTION.

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented by the addition of the following:

The Reporting Person has reduced the size of its investment in the Shares of the Issuer through regular portfolio management activities. The Reporting Person is highly supportive of the recent steps taken by the Issuer's board and management, including the Issuer's announcement of the separation of its midstream business and the addition of a board member with midstream energy expertise to assist with the separation.

Item 5. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY.

Items 5(a), (b) and (c) of the Schedule 13D are hereby amended and restated in their entirety as follows:

(a) The aggregate percentage of Shares reported to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Person is based upon 180,091,487 Shares outstanding, which is the total number of Shares outstanding as of June 30, 2014, as reported in the Issuer's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed on August 6, 2014.

At the close of business on September 5, 2014, the Reporting Person may be deemed to beneficially own 12,965,656 Shares, constituting approximately 7.2% of the Shares outstanding.

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- (b) The Reporting Person has sole voting and dispositive powers over 12,965,656 Shares, which powers are exercised by the Principal.
- (c) Information concerning transactions in the Shares effected by the Reporting Person during the past sixty days is set forth in <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto and is incorporated herein by reference. All of the transactions in Shares listed in <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto were effected in open market purchases through various brokerage entities.

Item 7. MATERIAL TO BE FILED AS EXHIBITS.

Item 7 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented by the addition of the following:

Exhibit A: Transactions in the Shares effected During the Last 60 Days.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: September 5, 2014

JANA PARTNERS LLC

By: /s/ Jennifer Fanjiang Name: Jennifer Fanjiang Title: General Counsel