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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Kempkes Rodney J.</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>WEST CORPORATION</u> <u>11808 MIRACLE HILLS DRIVE</u> (Street) <u>OMAHA</u> <u>NE</u> <u>68154</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>WEST CORP</u> [<u>WSTC</u>] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Chief Administrative Officer</u> | |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>09/29/2017</u> | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | |

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) |
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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| <u>Stock Units</u> | <u>(1)</u> | <u>09/29/2017</u> | | <u>A</u> | | <u>114.713</u> | | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | <u>Common Stock</u> | <u>114.713</u> | <u>\$23.47⁽¹⁾</u> | <u>95,904.948</u> | <u>D</u> | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. These stock units were granted under the Issuer's Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan") and represent notional equity interests in the Issuer credited to the filing person's deferred compensation account. Each stock unit is the economic equivalent of one share of the Issuer's Common Stock. The Issuer matches 50% of any amounts invested in stock units, subject to vesting as set forth in the Plan. These stock units become payable, through the issuance of shares of the Issuer's Common Stock (or the cash equivalent thereof), on the date specified by the filing person, which can be no earlier than five years following the year of deferral associated with such stock units or, if earlier, six months after the date the filing person separates from service with the Issuer or the date of death of the filing person.

Remarks:

/s/ Rodney J. Kempkes (signed
by Deneen Shadewald as Power
of Attorney for Reporting
Person). 10/02/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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