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**Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:**

Houston American Energy Corp.

**Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:**

801 Travis Street, Suite 1425

Houston, TX 77002

**Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing:**

Columbia Wanger Asset Management, LLC

**Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:**

227 West Monroe Street, Suite 3000, Chicago, IL 60606.

**Item 2(c). Citizenship:**

Delaware

**Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:**

Common Stock

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**Item 2(e). CUSIP Number:**

44183U100

**Item 3. If This Statement is Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), Check Whether the Person Filing is a:**

- (a)  Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange Act.
- (b)  Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act.
- (c)  Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act.
- (d)  Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act.
- (e)  An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E).
- (f)  An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
- (g)  A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
- (h)  A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.
- (i)  A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act.
- (j)  Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c), check this box.

**Item 4. Ownership:**

With respect to the beneficial ownership of the reporting person, see Items 5 through 11 of the cover pages to this Schedule 13G, which are incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 5. Ownership of 5 Percent or Less of a Class:**

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following .

**Item 6. Ownership or More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:**

The shares reported herein include shares held by Columbia Acorn Trust (CAT), a Massachusetts business trust that is advised by the reporting person. CAT holds 8.5% of the shares of the Issuer.

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**Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person:**

Not Applicable.

**Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:**

Not Applicable.

**Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:**

Not Applicable.

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**Item 10. Certification:**

By signing below each of the undersigned certifies that, to the best of such undersigned's knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

**SIGNATURE**

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: January 7, 2011

**Columbia Wanger Asset Management,  
LLC**

By: /s/ Bruce H. Lauer  
Bruce H. Lauer  
Chief Operating Officer