

Hampton George L III
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Hampton George L III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 TORRENT ENERGY CORP
 [TREN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/22/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6600 WAUCONDA DRIVE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

LARKSPUR, CO 80118

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 shares | | | | (A) Amount Price | 450,000 | I (1) | GeoTrends-Hampton International LLC |
| Common shares | 02/22/2006 | | J(2) | 225,000 A \$ 0 (2) | 675,000 | 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock options | \$ 0.5 | | | | | 08/03/2004 ⁽³⁾ 08/03/2009 | Common | 45,000 |
| Stock options | \$ 1.25 | | | | | 04/01/2005 ⁽⁴⁾ 04/01/2010 | Common | 200,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Hampton George L III 6600 WAUCONDA DRIVE LARKSPUR, CO 80118 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ George L.
Hampton III
03/23/2006

**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).
- (1) Mr. Hampton owns 50% of GeoTrends-Hampton International LLC. On August 8, 2005, GeoTrends-Hampton International LLC transferred 450,000 common shares into the personal name of George L. Hampton III.
 - (2) Mr. Hampton received these shares as the third tranche issuance of shares under a Lease Purchase and Sale Agreement dated May 11, 2004, as amended June 11, 2004 among the Issuer, Methane Energy Corp. and GeoTrends-Hampton International LLC.
 - (3) The options vest as to 25% on the date of grant and 25% every six months so that all options are vested by December 31, 2005.
 - (4) The options vest as to 25% on the date of grant and 25% every six months so that all options are vested by September 17, 2006.

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