

CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC  
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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 \*  
 Hamm Harold

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC [CLR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 P.O. BOX 268836, 20 N. BROADWAY  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/16/2012

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

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73126

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	Price		
Common Stock	05/16/2012		P	75,500	A	\$ 71.5101 (1)	123,234,548 (2)	D
Common Stock	05/16/2012		P	24,500	A	\$ 72.2141 (3)	123,259,048 (2)	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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hamm Harold P.O. BOX 268836 20 N. BROADWAY OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73126	X	X	CEO & Chairman	

## Signatures

/s/ Eric S. Eissenstat,  
Attorney-in-Fact  
Date: 05/18/2012

\*\*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).
- (1) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$71.00 to \$71.999. The price reported represents the weighted average transaction price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares transacted at each separate price.
- (2) Includes 68,000 shares of restricted common stock which vest on October 5, 2012; 67,000 shares of restricted common stock which vest on November 15, 2013; and 58,340 shares of restricted common stock which vest on November 15, 2014.
- (3) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$72.00 to \$72.50. The price reported represents the weighted average transaction price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares transacted at each separate price.

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