

Holcomb James Michael
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Holcomb James Michael

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC
 [PTEN]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 10713 W. SAM HOUSTON PKWY
 N., SUITE 800
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 07/12/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President-Drilling Subsidiary

HOUSTON, TX 77064

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	07/12/2018		M	19,000 (1)	A	\$ 0	325,032	D
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	07/12/2018		F	7,477 (2)	D	\$ 17.7	317,555	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
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	07/12/2018		M	19,000	(3) (3)	Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	19,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Holcomb James Michael 10713 W. SAM HOUSTON PKWY N. SUITE 800 HOUSTON, TX 77064			President-Drilling	Subsidiary

Signatures

By Barry Huntsman pursuant to a Limited Power of Attorney filed with the SEC on 6/11/2013. /s/Barry Huntsman 07/12/2018

__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) Acquired upon the conversion of Restricted stock units into common stock.
- (2) Shares disposed to pay applicable withholding taxes on Restricted stock units converted into common stock on July 12, 2018.
- (3) One-third (19,000) of the Restricted stock units vested on July 12, 2018. One-third (19,000) will vest on each of July 12, 2019 and July 12, 2020.

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