

PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES CO  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
**SHEFFIELD SCOTT D**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES CO [PXD]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 5205 N. O'CONNOR BLVD.,  
 SUITE 200

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/08/2009

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

(Street)  
 IRVING, TX 75039

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

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock					568,115	D	
Common Stock					22,173 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	401(k)
Common Stock	05/08/2009		M	26,000	A \$ 17.69	594,115	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009		S	100	D \$ 28.27	594,015	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009		S	2,400	D \$ 28.28	591,615	D

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Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	1,200	D	\$ 28.29	590,415	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	1,500	D	\$ 28.3	588,915	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	300	D	\$ 28.31	588,615	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	800	D	\$ 28.32	587,815	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	2,600	D	\$ 28.34	585,215	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	900	D	\$ 28.35	584,315	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	1,200	D	\$ 28.36	583,115	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	1,100	D	\$ 28.37	582,015	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	900	D	\$ 28.39	581,115	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	1,700	D	\$ 28.38	579,415	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	1,200	D	\$ 28.4	578,215	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	700	D	\$ 28.41	577,515	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	2,500	D	\$ 28.42	575,015	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	900	D	\$ 28.43	574,115	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	2,400	D	\$ 28.44	571,715	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	1,200	D	\$ 28.45	570,515	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	600	D	\$ 28.46	569,915	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	300	D	\$ 28.47	569,615	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	500	D	\$ 28.48	569,115	D
Common Stock	05/08/2009	S	700	D	\$ 28.49	568,415	D
	05/08/2009	S	200	D	\$ 28.5	568,215	D

Common  
Stock

Common Stock 05/08/2009 S 100 D \$ 28.53 568,115 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	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.69	05/08/2009		M	26,000	08/14/2004 08/14/2009	Common Stock 26

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHEFFIELD SCOTT D  
5205 N. O'CONNOR BLVD., SUITE 200  
IRVING, TX 75039

Chairman & CEO

## Signatures

Mark H. Kleinman, 05/12/2009  
Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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) Consists of shares beneficially owned as a result of reporting person's ownership of units in the Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. 401(k) Plan

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