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(Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> HELMERICH HANS			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		f Earliest Tr		/[ALC]	(Check all applicable)				
C/O CIMA	REX ENERGY LINCOLN STRI		(Month/D 05/19/2	Day/Year)	unsuetion		Director Officer (gi below)		0% Owner Other (specify		
	(Street)			ndment, Da nth/Day/Year	-	1	6. Individual or Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed b Form filed b	-	; Person		
DENVER,	CO 80203						Person	,			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	cially Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year		 Execution any 	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Code V Amount (D) F			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 Stock							41,830	Ι	Trustee, 1993 Hans Helmerich Trust		
Common Stock							4,140	I	By Daughter		
Common Stock							5,545	Ι	By Son		
Common Stock							11,450	Ι	By Wife		

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Common Stock						1,062	Ι	Co-Trustee of Family Trust
Common Stock						7,865	Ι	Trustee of Family Trust
Common Stock	05/19/2010	А	2,003 (1)	А	\$0	15,674	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)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	Amou Under Secur	. Title and Amount of Inderlying ecurities Instr. 3 and 4)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
			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

HELMERICH HANS C/O CIMAREX ENERGY CO. 1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800 DENVER, CO 80203

Signatures

Thomas A. Richardson, attorney-in-fact

05/21/2010

<u>**</u>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) Represents an award of restricted stock that vests in three equal annual increments on May 19, 2011, May 19, 2012 and May 19, 2013.

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