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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Abbott Gary	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
						(Check all applicable)					
(Last) 1700 LINCO 1800	(Month	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2010				Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)					
1000								Vice President			
	(Street)	4. If An	4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
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DENVER, C	.0 80203						Person				
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	ty (Month/Day/Year) Execution		Code r) (Instr. 8)	TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Indirect Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) Instr. 4)			
Common Stock							1,314	I	By 401(k)		
Common	12/16/2010		S	7,244	D	\$ 88	111,207	D			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Abbott Gary R 1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 1800 DENVER, CO 80203

Vice President

Signatures

Thomas A. Richardson, attorney in fact

12/16/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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