CIMAREX ENERGY CO

Form 4

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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

Name and Address of Reporting Person Lambuth John	Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC]				
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
	(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE	12/10/2014	Officer (give title Other (specification) below)			
3700		Vice President-Exploration			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
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DENVER, CO 80203		Person			

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative Se	ecurities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securition(A) or Disp (D)	•	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, 4) Amount	(A) or (D) Pri	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/10/2014		A	41,284 (1) (2) (3)	A \$	0 112,284	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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amour	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	ying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ies	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
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									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date		Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Vice

Lambuth John 1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 3700 DENVER, CO 80203

President-Exploration

Signatures

Francis B. Barron, as 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) The amount of securities beneficially owned as reported in column 5 includes 12,000 shares of restricted stock subject to service-based vesting and 100,284 shares subject to service-based vesting and the satisfaction of certain performance criteria.
- (2) Represents a performance award of restricted stock that is subject to three-year cliff vesting and the satisfaction of certain performance criteria.
- The number of shares shown is a preliminary estimate that is subject to adjustment upon the completion by an outside consultant of a

 (3) Monte Carlo simulation of the number of shares necessary to equal the grant date fair value of the performance share award approved by the Compensation and Governance Committee. Upon the completion of the final report, an amended Form 4 will be filed if necessary.

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