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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Common

Stock

04/10/2019

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

| 1. Name and A Clason Chris | Symbol | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|--|
| (Last) | (First) (M | fiddle) 3. Date o | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | | | | (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | |
| 1700 LINCO 3700 | ` | 04/10/2019 | | | | Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP and Chief HR Officer | | | | |
| (Street) 4. If Amen Filed(Mont | | | | te Original | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | |
| DENVER, O | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non-D | erivative S | ecurit | ies Acc | quired, Disposed | of, or Beneficial | lly Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | urity (Month/Day/Year) Execution any (Month/D | | | | | | Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Benefic Owned Indirect (I) Owners Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
| Common Stock | 04/10/2019 | | A | 12,599 (1) | A | \$0 | 12,599 | D | | |

10,525

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

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| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Title | and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
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| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Underly | ying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securit | ies | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Clason Christopher 1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 3700 DENVER, CO 80203

VP and Chief HR Officer

Signatures

Mary F. Hope, as 04/11/2019 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).
- Represents an award of restricted stock that will vest in its entirety on December 1, 2021 provided that the reporting person remains in the (1) continuous employment of Cimarex through that date.
- Represents a performance award of restricted stock that is subject to the satisfaction of certain performance criteria through December 1, 2021 provided that the reporting person remains in continuous employment with Cimarex through that date.

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