

HOLDER RANDALL J

Form 4

February 15, 2018

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**HOLDER RANDALL J**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200

(Street)

MIDLAND, TX 79701

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]

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

02/13/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

Exec. VP, Gen. Counsel, Sec.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/13/2018		A	(A) or (D) Amount (1) 5,598	\$ 0 12,503	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2018		A	(A) or (D) Amount (2) 12,022	\$ 0 24,525	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 (Instr. 8)	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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				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
HOLDER RANDALL J 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 MIDLAND, TX 79701	Exec. VP, Gen. Counsel, Sec.

## Signatures

/s/ Randall J.  
Holder 02/15/2018

\*\*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) These securities are restricted stock units, each representing a contingent right to receive one share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the issuer. These restricted stock units were granted under the issuer's equity incentive plan and will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 21, 2018.

(2) These securities are performance based restricted stock units for the performance period January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2017 that were granted under the issuer's equity incentive plan. All of these performance based restricted stock units vested as of December 31, 2017 upon certification by the issuer's compensation committee of attainment of the applicable performance conditions on February 14, 2018.

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