

CALLON PETROLEUM CO  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SMITH CLARK H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

200 NORTH CANAL STREET

(Street)

NATCHEZ, MS 391203212

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CALLON PETROLEUM CO [CPE]

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

07/14/2008

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 below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Chief Information Officer

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	07/14/2008	07/14/2008	M	V 2,200 A \$ 25.89	4,393	I	Jt. Ten. with Spouse
Common Stock	07/14/2008	07/14/2008	F	V 692 D \$ 25.89	3,701	I	Jt. Ten. with Spouse
Common Stock	07/15/2008	07/15/2008	S	V 1,508 D \$ 25.21	2,193	I	Jt. Ten. with Spouse
Common Stock					25,253	D	

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2004 Performance Shares	\$ 13.71	07/14/2008	07/14/2008	M	V 2,200	05/05/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	07/14/2014	Common Stock	2,200
2006 Performance Shares	\$ 15.83					08/21/2006	08/21/2010	Common Stock	9,000
2008 Performance Stock Award	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>					<sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock	4,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.5					09/23/2000	03/23/2010	Common Stock	6,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.5					01/13/2003	07/12/2012	Common Stock	4,900
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.7					02/24/2003	08/23/2012	Common Stock	3,200

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH CLARK H 200 NORTH CANAL STREET			Chief Information	

NATCHEZ, MS 391203212

Officer

## Signatures

By: Robert A. Mayfield as  
Attorney-in-fact for

07/15/2008

\_\_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) Performance Stock awarded July 14, 2004. These shares vest in five equal annual installments beginning on July 14, 2005.

The number of shares awarded is conditioned based on the achievement of a specified performance target, based upon the price of

(2) Callon's stock, to be calculated on December 31, 2010. If the performance target is achieved, vesting with respect to the awarded shares will occur on 04/18/2011, the third anniversary following the award date.

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