

Citadel Exploration, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 *
 McPherson Philip James

(Last) (First) (Middle)

417 31ST STREET, UNIT A

(Street)

NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Citadel Exploration, Inc. [COIL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 06/18/2014

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 CFO, Secretary and Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 0.55	06/18/2014			A		50,000		06/18/2014	06/18/2021	Common	50,000
Option	\$ 0.55	06/18/2014			A		50,000		06/18/2015	06/18/2022	Common	50,000
Option	\$ 0.55	06/18/2014			A		50,000		06/18/2016	06/18/2023	Common	50,000
Option	\$ 0.55	06/18/2014			A		50,000		06/18/2017	06/18/2024	Common	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McPherson Philip James 417 31ST STREET, UNIT A NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92663	X		CFO, Secretary and Treasurer	

Signatures

/S/ Philip J.
Mcherson 09/25/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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