Diamondback Energy, Inc.

Form 4

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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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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

may continue.

See Instruction

Pantermuehl Russell			Symbol Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]					Issuer			
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(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of	of Earliest T	ransaction						
500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200			(Month/Day/Year) 04/13/2016					Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP Reservoir Engineering			
	(Street)		4 If Δm	endment D	ate Origin	al	6	. Individual or Ioi	nt/Group Filin	g(Check	
(Silect)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	onor Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of		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)	
Common Stock	04/13/2016			M(1)	4,000	A	\$ 17.5	81,514	D		
Common Stock	04/13/2016			S(1)	4,905	D	\$ 81.0279 (2)	76,609	D		
Common Stock	04/13/2016			S <u>(1)</u>	1,095	D	\$ 81.5352 (3)	75,514	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.5	04/13/2016		M <u>(1)</u>	4,000 (4)	<u>(4)</u>	08/15/2016	Common Stock	4,000 (4)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Pantermuehl Russell 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 MIDLAND, TX 79701

VP Reservoir Engineering

Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for Russell Pantermuehl

04/15/2016

**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 transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$80.42 per share to \$81.41 per share, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Diamondback Energy, Inc., any security holder of Diamondback Energy, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes 2 and 3 of this Form 4.
- (3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$81.44 per share to \$81.59 per share, inclusive.
- (4) All of these options to purchase 4,000 shares of common stock of the issuer were vested at the time of exercise.

Reporting Owners 2

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