WHITING PETROLEUM CORP

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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 *

STEVENS MICHAEL J			Symbol WHITIN [WLL]	WHITING PETROLEUM CORP				Issuer (Check all applicable)		
	(Last) 1700 BROA	(First) (Mic	(Month/D	-	ansaction			DirectorX Officer (give below) Vice Pr		Owner or (specify
	DENVER, C	(Street)		ndment, Dar th/Day/Year)	_	1		6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by C Form filed by M Person		rson
	(City)	(State) (Z	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	ly Owned
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D) 5) Price	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	01/08/2017		F	6,773	D	\$ 12.67	223,840	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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2011 Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 60.285					<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2021	Common Stock	9,370	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 12.755					<u>(1)</u>	02/18/2019	Common Stock	49,906	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 34.31					<u>(1)</u>	01/26/2020	Common Stock	7,716	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 51.22					<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2022	Common Stock	5,540	

Reporting Owners

/s/ Bruce R. DeBoer,

**Signature of Reporting Person

Attorney-in-Fact

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
STEVENS MICHAEL J 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300 DENVER, CO 80290			Vice President and CFO					
Signatures								

01/09/2017

Date

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- * 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).
 - Grant to reporting person of ten-year option to buy shares of common stock under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity
- (1) Incentive Plan. The option vests and becomes exercisable as follows: 1/3 on 1st anniversary of the date of grant, 2/3 on 2nd anniversary of the date of grant and 3/3 on 3rd anniversary of the date of grant.

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