FARES ISSAM M Form 4 January 05, 2010

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FARES ISSAM M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PIONEER DRILLING CO [PDC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(encer un applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	DirectorX 10% Owner			
KEIZER KARELWEG 474, 1181 RL		474, 1181	12/31/2009	Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
AMSTELVEEN, P7			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Perivative So	ecuriti	es Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4)	osed c	of (D)	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	12/31/2009		S	11,800	D	\$ 8.13 (1)	6,712,408	I	See footnote (2)
Common Stock	01/04/2010		S	26,400	D	\$ 8.1	6,686,008	I	See footnote (2)
Common Stock	01/05/2010		S	245,400	D	\$ 8.47 (3)	6,440,608	I	See footnote (2)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amount of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Exercisable	Date	Title Numl	ber	
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				Coue v	(A) (D)			Share	es	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FARES ISSAM M KEIZER KARELWEG 474 1181 RL AMSTELVEEN, P7		X					
PEBBLETON CORP N V PEITERMAAI 15 CURACAO, P8		X					

Signatures

/s/ Richard E. Blohm, Jr. 01/05/2010 (attorney-in-fact)

**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).
- The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$8.10 to \$8.19, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to Pioneer Drilling Company, any security holder of Pioneer Drilling Company 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 (1) and (3) to this Form 4.
- (2) By Pebbleton Corporation N.V., a wholly owned subsidiary.

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(3) The price in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$8.10 to \$8.71, inclusive.

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