

PDC ENERGY, INC.
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 *
Shellum Gysle R.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PDC ENERGY, INC. [PDCE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 3000

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/18/2015

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
CFO

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

DENVER, CO 80203

(City) (State) (Zip)

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2015 | | M | 6,511 A \$ 30.19 | 52,235 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2015 | | D | 3,198 (1) D \$ 61.48 | 49,037 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2015 | | F | 1,544 (2) D \$ 61.48 | 47,493 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2015 | | M | 1,702 A \$ 43.95 | 49,195 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2015 | | D | 1,217 (3) D \$ 61.48 | 47,978 | D | |

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|--------------|------------|---|----------------------|---|----------|--------|---|
| Common Stock | 11/18/2015 | F | 226 ⁽⁴⁾ | D | \$ 61.48 | 47,752 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2015 | M | 8,413 | A | \$ 37.18 | 56,165 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2015 | D | 5,088 ⁽⁵⁾ | D | \$ 61.48 | 51,077 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2015 | F | 1,549 ⁽⁶⁾ | D | \$ 61.48 | 49,528 | 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. 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 30.19 | 11/18/2015 | | M | 6,511 | 01/16/2015 ⁽⁷⁾ 01/16/2022 | Common Stock 6,511 |
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 43.95 | 11/18/2015 | | M | 1,702 | 03/12/2014 03/11/2021 | Common Stock 1,702 |
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 37.18 | 11/18/2015 | | M | 8,413 | 01/16/2015 ⁽⁸⁾ 01/15/2023 | Common Stock 8,413 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other
CFO

Shellum Gysle R.
1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 3000
DENVER, CO 80203

Signatures

/s/Gysle R.
Shellum

11/20/2015

**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) Includes 3,198 shares representing the deemed exercise price.
- (2) Includes 1,544 shares surrendered to issuer to cover tax withholding obligation of the reporting person.
- (3) Includes 1,217 shares representing the deemed exercise price.
- (4) Includes 226 shares surrendered to issuer to cover tax withholding obligation of the reporting person.
- (5) Includes 5,088 shares representing the deemed exercise price.
- (6) Includes 1,549 shares surrendered to issuer to cover tax withholding obligation of the reporting person.
- (7) Stock Appreciation Rights ("SARs") vest incrementally on the following dates: January 16, 2014 and January 16, 2015.
- (8) SARs vest incrementally on the following dates: January 16, 2014 and January 16, 2015.
- (9) Represents unvested SARs from original award.

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