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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. [BCEI] Zorn Ryan (Month/Day/Year) 03/28/2013 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 410 17TH STREET. SUITE (Check all applicable) 1400 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Vice President, Finance Person DENVER, COÂ 80202 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â 31,266 (1) Common Stock D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Security	Direct (D)	

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Date Expiration Amount or or Indirect Exercisable Date Number of (I)
Shares (Instr. 5)

Performance Shares $\hat{A} \stackrel{(2)}{=} 12/31/2015 \stackrel{Common}{Stock} 2,089 \quad \$ \stackrel{(2)}{=} D \quad \hat{A}$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address
Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Zorn Ryan

410 17TH STREET

\$\hat{A}\$ \quad \hat{A}\$ \quad \hat{A}\$ \quad \text{Vice President, Finance } \hat{A}\$

DENVER, \hat{A}\$ CO\hat{A}\$ 80202

Signatures

/s/ Christopher I. Humber as Attorney-in-Fact 05/01/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 (i) 25,000 shares of restricted common stock subject to vesting that were issued prior to the Reporting Person obtaining insider status, and (ii) 6,266 shares of restricted common stock subject to vesting.
- Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive 0-200% of that number of shares of common stock. The amount listed represents what the Reporting Person would receive at the target or 100% level. The performance shares vest upon continued employment and achievement of certain predetermined performance goals.

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