

CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC.  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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|--|---|---|--|---|--|
| <p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Pipkin Gregory Phillip</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O CRIMSON EXPLORATION, INC., Â 480 N SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST, STE 300</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>HOUSTON, Â TX Â 77060</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p> | <p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>03/20/2006</p> | <p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC. [CXPI]</p> | <p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p>___ Director ___X_ 10% Owner<br/>___ Officer ___ Other<br/>(give title below) (specify below)</p> | <p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p> | <p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br/>___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p> |
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Common Stock                       | 3,277,224  | D   | Â  |
| Common Stock                       | 32,356   | I   | See Footnote (1)   |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 5. Ownership<br>Form of<br>Derivative<br>Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect<br>Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |   |   |
|---|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|
|   | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date   | Title  | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares   |   |   |   |
| Series G Convertible<br>Preferred Stock       | 02/28/2005   | ∅ (3)  | Common<br>Stock  | 296,467<br>(2)   | \$ 0.9  | D | ∅ |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |              |         |       |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer | Other |
| Pipkin Gregory Phillip<br>C/O CRIMSON EXPLORATION, INC.<br>480 N SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST, STE 300<br>HOUSTON, TX 77060 | ∅             | ∅ X          | ∅       | ∅     |

## Signatures

/ Gregory P.  
Pipkin

03/20/2006

\*\*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) Shares are owned by Core Natural Resources GP, LLC, of which reporting person is the sole member.
- (2) Includes 18,689 shares of common stock that reporting person is eligible to receive upon conversion of accrued but unpaid dividends on the Series G Convertible Preferred Stock.
- (3) Series G Convertible Preferred Stock does not have an expiration date.

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