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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Pantermuehl Russell			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200			12/19/2014	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP Reservoir Engineering			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
MIDLAND,	TX 79701		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securior Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of	` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
		Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/19/2014	M	2,600	A	\$ 17.5	28,519	D	
Common Stock	12/19/2014	S	2,600	D	\$ 62.5788	25,919	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. Transactic 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.5	12/19/2014		M	2,600 (1)	<u>(1)</u>	08/15/2016 <u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	2,600 (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Pantermuehl Russell 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 MIDLAND, TX 79701			VP Reservoir Engineering				

Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for Russell
Pantermuehl 12/23/2014

**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).
- All of these options to purchase 2,600 shares of common stock of the issuer were vested at the time of exercise. Of the remaining options to purchase 45,000 shares of common stock of the issuer, options to purchase 20,000 shares of common stock are vested and options to purchase 25,000 shares of common stock will vest on August 15, 2015.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$62.55 per share to \$62.58 per share, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Diamondback Energy, Inc., any security holder of Diamondback Energy, Inc., 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 range set forth in this footnote.

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