

Darnell Ronald N.  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ^ Darnell Ronald N. (Last) (First) (Middle)		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 12/06/2011	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PNM RESOURCES INC [PNM]	
ALVARADO SQUARE, MS 0920 (Street)			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  ____ Director    ____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer    ____ Other (give title below)    (specify below) VICE PRESIDENT, REGULATORY AFF	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87158 (City) (State) (Zip)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	7,986	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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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 Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable    Expiration Date	Title			

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				Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options	02/17/2012 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/17/2019 <sup>(4)</sup>	Common Stock	4,667	\$ 7.98 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â
Stock Option	02/26/2012 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/26/2020 <sup>(4)</sup>	Common Stock	10,300	\$ 12.22 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Darnell Ronald N. ALVARADO SQUARE MS 0920 ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87158	Â	Â	Â VICE PRESIDENT, REGULATORY AFF	Â

## Signatures

Ronald N. Darnell  
12/09/2011

\*\*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) Based on the closing price on the date of the grant.
- (2) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on 2/17/10.
- (3) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on 2/26/2011.
- (4) The options expire 10 years from grant date.

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