Diamondback Energy, Inc. Form 4

March 24, 2014

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(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			
500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200		ITE 1200	(Month/Day/Year) 03/21/2014	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP Reservoir Engineering		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
MIDLAND, TX 79701				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/21/2014		M	800	A	\$ 17.5	5,725	D	
Common Stock	03/21/2014		S	800	D	\$ 65	4,925	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number owf 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)		8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.5	03/21/2014		M	800 (1)	<u>(1)</u>	08/15/2016	Common Stock	800 (1)	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1	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

03/24/2014

**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).
- (1) All of these options to purchase 800 shares of common stock of the issuer were vested as of August 15, 2013.
- (2) Of the remaining options, options to purchase 6,700 shares of common stock are vested and options to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock will vest in two equal annual installments beginning on August 15, 2014.

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