#### WHITING PETROLEUM CORP

Form 4

October 30, 2013

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** WILLIAMS MARK R			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol WHITING PETROLEUM CORP [WLL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 1700 BROAL	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/28/2013	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President		
DENVER, C	(Street) O 80290		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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I Non Derivative Securities Age	wined Disposed of an Reneficially Owned		

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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)		sed of		Securities O Beneficially Fo Owned D Following or	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	10/28/2013		S	7,086	D	\$ 68.6887	51,746	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2013		S	7,164	D	\$ 69.5058	44,582	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. 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. Price Deriva Securit (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2011 Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 60.285					<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2021	Common Stock	7,028	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 34.31					<u>(1)</u>	01/26/2020	Common Stock	2,572	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 51.22					<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2022	Common Stock	4,848	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
WILLIAMS MARK R 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300 DENVER, CO 80290			Senior Vice President					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Bruce R. DeBoer, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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).

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Grant to reporting person of ten-year option to buy shares of common stock under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity

(1) Incentive Plan. The option vests and becomes exercisable as follows: 1/3 on 1st anniversary of the date of grant, 2/3 on 2nd anniversary of the date of grant and 3/3 on 3rd anniversary of the date of grant.

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