PEAK KENNETH R

Form 4

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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 *

PEAK KENNETH R

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

3700 BUFFALO SPEEDWAY, STE 960

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77098

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC [PTEN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

01/01/2011

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1. Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price (D)

Common

per share

Stock, \$.01 01/01/2011 par value

3,000 (1)

\$0 23,000 D

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.55	01/01/2011		A	10,000	01/01/2012(2)	12/31/2020	Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	10,000

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

X

PEAK KENNETH R 3700 BUFFALO SPEEDWAY **STE 960** HOUSTON, TX 77098

Signatures

By Gregory W. Pipkin pursuant to a Limited Power of Attorney filed with the SEC on 1/5/2010. /s/Gregory W. Pipkin

01/04/2011

**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) One hundred percent (100%) of the shares vest on January 1, 2012.
- (2) One hundred percent (100%) of the option vests on January 1, 2012.

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