LARSEN KEITH G

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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 * LARSEN KEITH G				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol US ENERGY CORP [USEG]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(Check all applicable)			
877 N 8TH ST W			(Month/D 01/04/2	•		_X_ Director _X_ Officer (gi below)				
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
RIVERTON, WY 82501				Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ally Owned	
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/04/2010		A <u>(1)</u>	5,000 A \$ 6.18	289,335	D (2)	
Common Stock					80,242	I (3)	By Esop
Common Stock					148,284	I (4)	By Immediate Family
Common Stock					466,513	I (5)	Family Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	. 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 Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.4					01/10/2001	01/09/2011	Common Stock	267,734	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.9					12/07/2001	12/06/2011	Common Stock	100,000	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.25					08/08/2002	12/07/2011	Common Stock	52,556	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.46					07/01/2004	06/30/2014	Common Stock	59,350	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.86					10/14/2005	10/13/2015	Common Stock	100,000	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.97					01/01/2008	07/26/2017	Common Stock	150,000	
Stock Option (Right to	\$ 2.52					09/22/2009	09/21/2018	Common Stock	75,000	

Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LARSEN KEITH G

877 N 8TH ST W X CHAIRMAN & CEO

RIVERTON, WY 82501

Signatures

/s/ Keith G. 01/05/2010 Larsen

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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).
- Shares issured to the Reporting Person under the USE 2001 Stock Compensation Plan. The issuance of these shares is for the funding obligation under the plan for the first quarter of the calendar year ending December 31, 2010. The issuer has agreed under the terms of the Plan to pay all taxes due. The Reporting Person has agreed not to sell these shares to the market or pledge them on obligations until after his (i) retirement; (ii) total disability or (iii) in the case of the death of the Reporting Person his estate may sell the shares of stock.
- (2) Includes shares held directly by the Reporting Person.
- (3) Shares held in the U.S. Energy Corp. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the 'ESOP') in an account established for the benefit of the Reporting Person.
- (4) Includes shares held in ESOP accounts established to benefit members of the Reporting Persons 'Immediate Family', as that term is defined in Rule 16a-1(e), in accordance with Rule 16a-8(b)(2).
- As a result of the settlement of Mr. John L. Larsen's Estate, 466,513 shares of U.S. Energy common stock were put into a Family Trust. Keith Larsen is John L. Larsen's son and serves as the Co-Trustee of a Family Trust.
- (6) Includes stock options granted under the Issuer's 1998 Incentive Stock Option Plan and exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (7) Includes stock options granted under the Issuer's 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan and exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (8) Stock options granted under the Issuer's 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan with a 5 year vesting schedule and exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (9) Stock options granted under the Issuer's 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan which vest in three (3) equal annual installments beginning September 22, 2009.

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