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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Ross Rick A Mr.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			WHITING PETROLEUM CORP [WLL]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300			10/01/2018	below) below) Senior Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
DENVER, C	O 80290-23	300	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		sed of 4 and (A) or	` ′	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	10/01/2018		M(1)	2,079	A	\$ 55.0075	73,536	D		
Common Stock	10/01/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	2,079	D	\$ 55.0075	71,457	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acq (A) (Disp (D)	or cosed of er. 3, 4,	6. 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 Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 51.0208	10/01/2018		M <u>(1)</u>		2,079	(2)	02/18/2019	Common Stock	2,079
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 204.88						(2)	01/18/2022	Common Stock	432
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 137.24						<u>(2)</u>	01/26/2020	Common Stock	643
2011 Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 241.1408						(2)	01/18/2021	Common Stock	1,025

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
.1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Ross Rick A Mr. 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300 DENVER, CO 80290-2300			Senior Vice President					
Signatures								
/s/ Bruce R. DeBoer, Attorney-in-Fact	10/01	1/2018						
**Signature of Reporting Person	Da	ate						

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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) This stock option exercise and sale was executed pursuant to a written plan previously established in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- Grant to reporting person of ten-year option to buy shares of common stock under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity

 (2) 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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