Diamondback Energy, Inc.

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See Instruction 1(b).

Common

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Stice Travis D.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Cheek an applicable)		
500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200	(Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2014	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chief Executive Officer		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
MIDLAND, TX 79701 (City) (State) (Zip)	Filed(Month/Day/Year) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person puired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		
(Instr. 3) any (Month/I		5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Beneficial Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common 07/01/2014 Stock	M 75,000 A \$17.5	89,705 D		

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

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\$

(2) \$

(3)

88.8534 41.527

89.9405 14,705

48.178 D

26.822 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.5	07/01/2014		M	75,000 (4)	<u>(4)</u>	04/18/2016	Common Stock	75,000 (4)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Stice Travis D.	\mathbf{v}		Chief Evenutive Officer		
500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 MIDLAND, TX 79701	X		Chief Executive Officer		

Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder as attorney-in-fact for Travis D.
Stice
07/03/2014

**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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 20, 2014.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$88.4600 to \$89.3700, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Diamondback Energy, Inc., any security holder of Diamondback Energy, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (2) and (3) to this Form 4.
- (3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$89.4700 to \$90.1100, inclusive.
- (4) All of these options to purchase 75,000 shares of common stock of the issuer were vested at the time of exercise. The remaining options to purchase 75,000 shares of common stock will vest on April 18, 2015.

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