

LANG JOHN DOUGLAS

Form 4

January 28, 2013

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LANG JOHN DOUGLAS

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
WHITING PETROLEUM CORP
[WLL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/26/2013

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Vice President

DENVER, CO 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 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)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/26/2013		A	(A) or (D) 4,350 (1)	\$ 0	34,005	D
Common Stock	01/26/2013		F	2,027	\$ 47.75	31,978	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)	5. Number of 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 or Value of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2011 Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 60.285 (2)					(2)(3)	01/18/2021	Common Stock	4,100
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 34.31 (2)					(2)(3)	01/26/2020	Common Stock	2,572

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
LANG JOHN DOUGLAS 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300 DENVER, CO 80290	Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Bruce R. DeBoer,
Attorney-in-Fact 01/28/2013

__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) Vesting to reporting person of restricted stock under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity Incentive Plan upon attainment of performance criteria.

(2) Adjusted to reflect the two-for-one split of Whiting Petroleum Corporation common stock distributed on February 22, 2011 to holders of record as of February 7, 2011.

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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
- (3) 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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