WHITING PETROLEUM CORP

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FORM 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Common

Stock

01/18/2014

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WILLIAMS MARK R			Symbol	WHITING PETROLEUM CORP				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	(Last) 1700 BROA	(First) (Mi	(Month/I	f Earliest Tr Day/Year) 014	ansaction			DirectorX Officer (give below) Senior		Owner r (specify	
	DENIVED ((Street)		endment, Da nth/Day/Year	Č			6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O Form filed by M	•	rson	
	DENVER, (City)		Zip) Tab	le I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqı	Person uired, Disposed of	·		
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	•	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiti on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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	01/18/2014		A	12,847 (1)	A	\$0	65,035	D		

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

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5,985

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65,035

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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)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Deriva Securit (Instr.
				Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2011 Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 60.285					(2)	01/18/2021	Common Stock	7,028	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 34.31					<u>(2)</u>	01/26/2020	Common Stock	2,572	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 51.22					(2)	01/18/2022	Common Stock	4,848	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WILLIAMS MARK R 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300 DENVER, CO 80290			Senior Vice President				

Signatures

/s/ Bruce R. DeBoer, Attorney-in-Fact 01/21/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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- (1) Vesting to reporting person of restricted stock under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity Incentive Plan upon attainment of performance criteria.
- 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
- (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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