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1(b).

STOCK

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading WENDEL STEPHEN T Issuer Symbol ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP (Check all applicable) [AXAS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 18803 MEISNER DRIVE 03/31/2009 VP - Land and Contracts (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 7. Nature of (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Ownership Indirect Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Direct (D) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price **ABRAXAS PETROLEUM** 03/31/2009(1) P 8,108 88,518 401-K Α (1) I **COMMON STOCK ABRAXAS PETROLEUM** 102,950 D COMMON

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WENDEL STEPHEN T 18803 MEISNER DRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258

VP - Land and Contracts

Signatures

Stephen T. 04/02/2009 Wendel

**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).
- (1) Between 12/31/2008 and 3/31/2009 the reporting person acquired 8,108 shares of Abraxas Petroleum Common stock under the Abraxas 401(K) plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement as of 3/31/2009

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