### **ULTRA PETROLEUM CORP**

Form 4

December 21, 2007

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* WATFORD MICHAEL D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ULTRA PETROLEUM CORP [UPL]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2007

10% Owner \_X\_\_ Director X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

CEO and President

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

363 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST, SUITE 1200

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Issuer

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HOUSTON, TX 77060

(State)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit for Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (		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	12/20/2007		A	40,100	A	\$ 0.46	1,949,976	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2007		S	25,000	D	\$ 68.4124	1,924,976	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2007		F	15,100	D	\$ 68.325	1,909,876	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2007		A	39,605	A	\$ 0.46	1,949,481	D	
Common Stock	12/21/2007		S	25,000	D	\$ 68.9415	1,924,481	D	

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Common Stock 12/21/2007 F 14,605 D \$68.605 1,909,876 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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 Share
Common Stock (1)	\$ 0.46	12/20/2007		M	40,100	07/28/1999(2)	01/28/2009	common stock	40,10
Common Stock (1)	\$ 0.46	12/21/2007		M	39,605	07/28/1999(2)	01/28/2009	common stock	39,60

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WATFORD MICHAEL D 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY EAST SUITE 1200 HOUSTON, TX 77060	X		CEO and President			

# **Signatures**

/s/Michael D.
Watford

\*\*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) Common stock from option exercise.

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(2) The options vested in 4 equal installments every six months from July 29, 1999 to January 29, 2001.

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