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

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(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 Mengle Jay S Issuer Symbol CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC. (Check all applicable) [CXPO.OB] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O CRIMSON EXPLORATION 07/15/2009 Sr Vice President INC., 717 TEXAS AVENUE, **SUITE 2900** (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 HOUSTON, TX 77002 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D)

Common 07/15/2009 \$0 D Α 47,827 159,652 Stock (1)

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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									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mengle Jay S C/O CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC. 717 TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 2900 HOUSTON, TX 77002

Sr Vice President

Signatures

Stephen W. 07/17/2009 Schoppe

**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).

The reporting person was awarded 47,827 shares of restricted stock of the Company pursuant to a distribution under the Company's Long Term Incentive Compensation Plan for the calendar year 2008. Of these shares of restricted stock, 25% of the total shares will vest on each of February 26, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 should the reporting person remain an employee of the Company on the pertinent vesting date.

Remarks:

This form has been signed by Stephen W. Schoppe, Acting Secretary for Crimson Exploration Inc., on behalf of Mr. Mengle pursuant to an instrument of power of attorney dated April 1, 2007. The authority granted pursuant to such instrument is to remain in full force and effect until rescinded in writing by Mr. Mengle.

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