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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Reminder: Rep owned directly	-		ch class of securities benefic	^{ially} S	SEC 1473 (7-02	2)		
U.S. Energy Common Stock			50,000		D <u>(1)</u>	Â		
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	× /			f Securities	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
RIVERTON, WY 82501 (City) (State) (Zip)			Table I - N	Assistant	below) (specify below) tant General Counsel		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
	(Street)			Director 10% Owner OfficerX Other			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person	
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(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	07/05/2006	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> YOUNGBAUER STEVEN R			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol US ENERGY CORP [USEG]				

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	ivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Option 5 (Right to Buy)	07/01/2004	06/30/2014	U.S. Energy Common Stock	25,000	\$ 2.46	D (2)	Â
Employee Option 6 (Right to Buy)	10/14/2005	10/13/2015	U.S. Energy Common Stock	13,160	\$ 3.86	D (2)	Â
Employee Option 6 (Right to Buy)	10/14/2005	10/13/2015	U.S. Energy Common Stock	36,840	\$ 3.86	D (2)	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
YOUNGBAUER STEVEN R 877 NORTH 8TH WEST RIVERTON, WY 82501	Â	Â	Â	Assistant General Counsel	
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Signatures

/s/ YOUNGBAUER,	07/06/2006	
STEVEN R	01100/2000	
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Includes 50,000 shares held directly by the Reporting Person.
- (2) Includes stock options granted under the Issuer's 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan and exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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