Latch Charles W Form 4 March 03, 2009

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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may continue.

See Instruction

1(b).

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Latch Charles W		ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
			[HK]	(Check an applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
1000 LOUISIANA, SUITE 5600			02/28/2009	below) below) Sr VP - Western Region		
	(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		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative :	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	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 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	02/28/2009		F(1)	1,058	D D	\$ 17.02	63,870	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2009		F(2)	617	D	\$ 15.23	63,253	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2009		A	17,000	A	\$ 0	80,253	D	
Common Stock							781	I	Through 401(k)

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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisab	ole and	7. Title and A	Amount o
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date		Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year	r)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)				
	Derivative				or Disposed of				
	Security				(D)				
					(Instr. 3, 4,				
					and 5)				
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number
				Code V	(A) (D)				of Share
Stock									
Option (right to	\$ 15.23	03/02/2009		A	44,000	03/02/2010(3)	03/01/2019	Common Stock	44,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Latch Charles W 1000 LOUISIANA SUITE 5600 HOUSTON, TX 77002

Sr VP - Western Region

Signatures

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David S. Elkouri, Attorney in Fact 03/03/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Represents shares withheld to satisfy withholding taxes applicable upon vesting of restricted stock grant.
- (2) Represents shares withheld to satisfy withholding taxes applicable upon vesting of restricted stock grant.
- (3) The stock options vest in three annual installments with 14,666 vesting on March 2, 2010, 14,667 vesting on March 2, 2011 and 14,667 vesting on March 2, 2012.

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