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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

MERELLI F H			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC]					Issuer				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 1800			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2012					(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Ex Chairman				
(Street) DENVER, CO 80203			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-L	erivative S	Securi		Person uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficiall	ly 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)	(A) or			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						()		152,300	I	By IRA		
Common Stock								17,453	I	By 401(k)		
Common Stock	01/02/2012			F	24,723	D	\$ 62.46	591,751	D			

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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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MERELLI F H

1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 1800 Ex Chairman

DENVER, CO 80203

Signatures

Thomas A.

Richardson 01/04/2012

**Signature of Person 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).

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