#### SHONSEY JAMES H

Form 4

February 22, 2012

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SHONSEY JAMES H | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)                                   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)                                 | (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner   |  |  |  |
| 1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE<br>1800                         | 02/22/2012   | Officer (give title below)  VP, Controller   |  |  |  |
| (Street)  | 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 |  |  |  |
| DENVER, CO 80203  |  | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person   |  |  |  |

| (City)          | (State)             | (Zip) Tab          | ole I - Non- | Derivative   | Secur   | rities Acquii | red, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y Owned      |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|---------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------|
| 1.Title of      | 2. Transaction Date | 2A. Deemed         | 3.           | 4. Securit   | ies Ac  | quired (A)    | 5. Amount of      | 6.             | 7. Nature of |
| Security        | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transactio   | omr Dispos   | ed of ( | (D)           | Securities        | Ownership      | Indirect     |
| (Instr. 3)      |                     | any                | Code         | (Instr. 3, 4 | 4 and 5 | 5)            | Beneficially      | Form:          | Beneficial   |
|                 |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8)   |              |         |               | Owned             | Direct (D)     | Ownership    |
|                 |                     |                    |              |              |         |               | Following         | or Indirect    | (Instr. 4)   |
|                 |                     |                    |              |              | ( )     |               | Reported          | (I)            |              |
|                 |                     |                    |              |              | (A)     |               | Transaction(s)    | (Instr. 4)     |              |
|                 |                     |                    | C 1 W        |              | or      | ъ.            | (Instr. 3 and 4)  |                |              |
|                 |                     |                    | Code V       | Amount       | (D)     | Price         |                   |                |              |
| Common<br>Stock | 02/22/2012          |                    | S            | 14,187       | D       | \$<br>83.9183 | 22,000            | D              |              |

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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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| 1. Title of                          | 2.  | 3. Transaction Date |   | 4.                               | 5.  | 6. Date Exerc       |                    | 7. Title a                                   |           | 8. Price of                          | 9. Nu   |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------|---|----------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|--|-----------|--------------------------------------|---|
| Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | onNumber<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) |                     |                    | Amount<br>Underlyi<br>Securitie<br>(Instr. 3 | ing<br>es | Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|                                      |   |                     |   | Code V                           | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | or<br>Title N<br>of                          | umber     |                                      |   |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHONSEY JAMES H
1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 1800
DENVER, CO 80203
VP,
Controller

## **Signatures**

Thomas A. Richardson

02/22/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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