

CIMAREX ENERGY CO
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BELL STEPHEN P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80203-4518

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/06/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	10/06/2004		M		5,000 A \$ 9.6875	50,500 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock	10/06/2004		S		5,000 D \$ 36.0062	45,500 ⁽¹⁾	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9.6875	10/06/2004		M	5,000	09/30/2002 09/07/2009	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 16.65					12/06/2003 12/06/2012	Common Stock	91,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BELL STEPHEN P 1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800 DENVER, CO 80203-4518			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Paul Korus,
attorney-in-fact 10/08/2004

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) Includes 45,500 stock units which may only be settled in shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis.

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