CIMAREX ENERGY CO

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add BELL STEPH	*	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800			10/06/2004	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				Senior Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
DENVER, CO 80203-4518				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reportin Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I 9 (
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	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 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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