Diamondback Energy, Inc. Form 4

March 03, 2014

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

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(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Stice Travis D.

(First)

(Middle)

500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200

(Zip)

(Street)

(State)

MIDLAND, TX 79701

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]

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

02/27/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

> below) Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

(City)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Securities Code

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. 1 **Underlying Securities** De (Instr. 3 and 4) Sec

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date **Expiration Title** Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Restricted 25,000 25,000 Common (2) Stock \$0 02/27/2014 A (2) (2) (2) Stock Units (1)

(In

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Stice Travis D. 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 MIDLAND, TX 79701 | X | | Chief Executive Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder as attorney-in-fact for Travis D.
Stice
03/03/2014

**Signature of 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).
- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock, par value, \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Diamondback Energy, Inc. (the "Issuer") and was granted under the Issuer's 2012 Equity Incentive Plan.

Date

- Of the 25,000 restricted stock units reported on this form, 8,333 vested on February 27, 2014 and the remaining restricted stock units will vest in two approximately equal annual installments beginning on January 2, 2015.
- (3) The previously reported 28,571 restricted stock units will vest in two approximately equal annual installments beginning on April 18, 2014.

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