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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 *
 Starzer Michael R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. [BCEI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 410 17TH STREET, SUITE 1500
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/15/2011

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President & CEO

DENVER, CO 80202

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

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

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/15/2011		P	V Amount 1,000 (A) Price \$ 15.5	2,224,612	I (1)	See note (1)
Common Stock (2)	12/20/2011		A	V Amount 109,458 (A) Price \$ 0 (3)	2,331,570	I (4)	See note (4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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