

CONTANGO OIL & GAS CO  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 Atkins Thomas H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 CONTANGO OIL & GAS CO  
 [MCF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/01/2013

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Senior VP - Exploration

C/O CONTANGO OIL & GAS COMPANY, 717 TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 2900

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (D) Price  |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 10/01/2013                           |  | A                              | 17,758 A 17,758   |   | 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)**

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| 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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 60.33   | 10/01/2013                           |  | A                              | 3,174   | (2) 02/17/2021   | Common Stock  | 3,174                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                            |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                    | Other |
| Atkins Thomas H<br>C/O CONTANGO OIL & GAS COMPANY<br>717 TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 2900<br>HOUSTON, TX 77002 |               |           | Senior VP -<br>Exploration |       |

## Signatures

/s/ John A. Thomas  
 10/11/2013  
 \*\*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) Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement"), dated as of April 29, 2013, among Contango Oil & Gas Company ("Contango"), Contango Acquisition, Inc. ("Merger Sub") and Crimson Exploration Inc. ("Crimson"), Merger Sub merged with and into Crimson (the "Merger"), with Crimson surviving the Merger and continuing as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Contango. Upon the October 1, 2013 closing of the Merger, each share of Crimson common stock was cancelled and converted into the right to receive .08288 shares of Contango common stock.
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### Remarks:

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This Form 4 has been signed by John A. Thomas, Secretary for Contango Oil & Gas Company, on behalf of Mr. Atkins pursuant to

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