

BERNS KENNETH N  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
BERNS KENNETH N

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC  
[PTEN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Senior Vice President

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
1801 CENTURY PARK  
EAST, SUITE 1111  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/29/2013

LOS ANGELES, CA 90067

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

(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share <sup>(1)</sup>	03/29/2013		M		190,000	A	\$ 16.22
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share <sup>(2)</sup>	03/29/2013		F		160,959	D	\$ 23.84
					140,000	I	

Common  
Stock,  
\$.01 par  
value per  
share

By  
Trust(s)  
(3)

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount of Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.22	03/29/2013		M	190,000	04/30/2006 04/29/2013	Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share 190,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BERNS KENNETH N 1801 CENTURY PARK EAST SUITE 1111 LOS ANGELES, CA 90067	X		Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

By Barry Huntsman pursuant to a Limited Power of Attorney filed with the SEC on 3/29/2013 /s/ Barry Huntsman

03/29/2013

\_\_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).

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- (1) Acquired upon exercise of option that would have expired April 29, 2013.
- (2) Shares disposed to pay exercise price and applicable withholding taxes.
- (3) Held by trust(s) for which the reporting person is the trustee.

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