

PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP  
 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 \*  
 HEROD STEPHEN W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP  
 [HAWK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1100 LOUISIANA, SUITE 4400  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/15/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 VP CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	07/15/2005		J <sup>(1)</sup>	205,881 A \$ 0	205,881	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	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 Number Shares
Warrants (right to buy)	\$ 3.3	07/15/2005		J <sup>(2)</sup>		107,321		05/25/2004	05/25/2009	Common Stock	107,321

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HEROD STEPHEN W 1100 LOUISIANA SUITE 4400 HOUSTON, TX 77002			VP CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT	

## Signatures

David S. Elkouri, Attorney in Fact  
07/18/2005  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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) Represents 205,881 shares of common stock distributed to the reporting person as part of a pro rata distribution by FCW, LLC to its members, which distributed shares FCW, LLC received from PHAWK, LLC as part of a pro rata distribution of the Issuer's securities to its members.

(2) Represents warrants to purchase 107,321 shares of common stock distributed to the reporting person as part of a pro rata distribution by FCW, LLC to its members, which distributed warrants FCW, LLC received from PHAWK, LLC as part of a pro rata distribution of the Issuer's securities to its members.

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