

PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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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 \*  
**WALL DOUGLAS JAMES**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**450 GEARS ROAD, SUITE 500**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**04/25/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Chief Executive Officer**

**HOUSTON, TX 77067**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

**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, \$.01 par value per share | 04/25/2008                           |  | A                              |   | 71,250<br>(1)   | A  | \$ 0 159,792                      |

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 | 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 or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 29.31   | 04/25/2008                           |  | A                   | 178,500   | (2) 04/24/2018   | Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share                      | 178,500 |                            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| WALL DOUGLAS JAMES<br>450 GEARS ROAD, SUITE 500<br>HOUSTON, TX 77067 |               |           | Chief Executive Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/Douglas J. Wall  
04/29/2008  
\*\*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) One-third of the shares vest on April 25, 2009 and the remainder vests in equal monthly installments over the twenty-four months following April 25, 2009.
- (2) One-third of the options vest on April 25, 2009 and the remainder vests in equal monthly installments over the twenty-four months following April 25, 2009.

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