PEAK KENNETH R Form 4

July 17, 2012

FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Contango ORE, Inc. [CTGO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

07/03/2012

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PEAK KENNETH R

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3700 BUFFALO SPEEDWAY, SUITE 960

HOUSTON, TX 77098

(City)

(Street)

(State) (Zip)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

Symbol

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code

3.

(Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

4. Securities

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director X 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chairman & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Following

Owned

Beneficially

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

(Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

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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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

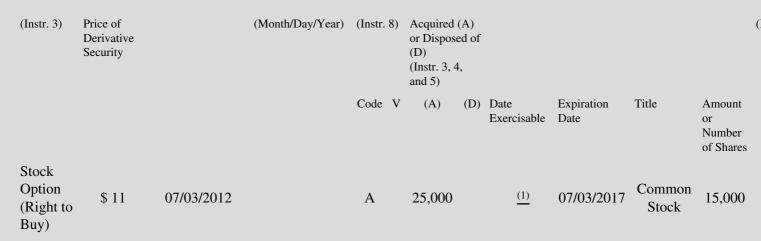
Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PEAK KENNETH R 3700 BUFFALO SPEEDWAY SUITE 960 HOUSTON, TX 77098	X	X	Chairman & CEO	

Signatures

Kenneth R. Peak 07/17/2012

**Signature of 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) The options vest in three annual installments beginning July 3, 2012.

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