

Diamondback Energy, Inc.
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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 *
HOLDER RANDALL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1225
 (Street)

MIDLAND, TX 79701

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/18/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP, General Counsel, Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/18/2013		M		4,286	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	11/18/2013		S		1,715	D	\$ 52.6019
Common Stock	11/18/2013		S		2,571	D	\$ 51.3749
Common Stock	11/18/2013		M		12,500	A	\$ 17.5
Common Stock	11/18/2013		S		12,500	D	\$ 51.3749

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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 or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0	11/18/2013		M	4,286 ₍₂₎	₍₂₎ ₍₂₎	Common Stock 4,286 ₍₂₎
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.5	11/18/2013		M	12,500 ₍₃₎	₍₃₎ 11/18/2016	Common Stock 12,500 ₍₃₎

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOLDER RANDALL J 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1225 MIDLAND, TX 79701			VP, General Counsel, Secretary	

Signatures

/s/ Randall J.
Holder 11/19/2013

**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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Diamondback Energy, Inc. (the "Issuer") and was granted under the Isser's 2012 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2)

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Of these restricted stock units, 4,286 restricted stock units vested on November 18, 2013. The remaining 8,571 restricted stock units will vest in two approximately equal annual installments beginning on November 18, 2014.

- (3) All options exercised on November 18, 2013 were vested on that date. The remaining options to purchase 25,000 shares of Common Stock will vest in two equal annual installments beginning on November 18, 2014.

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