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Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

	and Address of Repor EDDINE A R	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES CO [PXD]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
5205 N SUITE	. O'CONNOR BL	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/17/2006					Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP - WORLDWIDE NEGOTIATIONS			
IRVIN((Street) G, TX 75039	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City	y) (State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Y	ear) Executi	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Commo Stock	on 08/17/2006			M	3,333	A	\$ 17.25	55,111	D	
Commo Stock	on 08/17/2006			F	1,885	D	\$ 42.17	53,226	D	
Commo	on							7	ī	401(12)(1)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.25	08/17/2006		M	3,333	08/19/2001	08/19/2006	Common Stock	3,3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				Relationships	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer		Other

ALAMEDDINE A R 5205 N. O'CONNOR BLVD., SUITE 900 IRVING, TX 75039

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Signatures

1. Title of

By: Mark H. Kleinman, Attorney-in-Fact For: A. R.

Alameddine 08/18/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Shares held in the Pioneer Natural Resources Company 401(k) plan. The shares were purchased on various dates and at various prices through regular payroll deductions by the reporting person.

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