FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Pantermuehl Russell					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Diamondback Energy, Inc.</u> [FANG]								(Ch	eck all applic	ctor 10% Own er (give title Other (sp		10% Ov	vner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/21/2014											helow)			
(Street) MIDLAI (City)			79701 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Lin	e) <mark>X</mark> Form f	al or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable orm filed by One Reporting Person orm filed by More than One Reporting erson					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date (Month/				action 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		, Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5)		Dispose	rities Acquired (A) o ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Benefici Owned I	s Form ally (D) o ollowing (I) (In		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
										Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common	Stock			03/21	/2014			M		800		A	\$17.	5,725			D			
Common	Stock			03/21	/2014			S		800 D		\$65	4,925			D				
	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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date, T		ansaction of Dode (Instr. So Ar Di of (Instr. So (Ar Di of (Instr. So (Instruction of (Instruc		of Ex		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe	te ercisable		xpiration ate	Title		Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (right to	\$17.5	03/21/2014			М			800 ⁽¹⁾		(1)	08	3/15/2016		nmon ock	800(1)	\$0.00	56,700 ⁽	2)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. All of these options to purchase 800 shares of common stock of the issuer were vested as of August 15, 2013.
- 2. Of the remaining options, options to purchase 6,700 shares of common stock are vested and options to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock will vest in two equal annual installments beginning on August 15, 2014.

Remarks:

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for Russell **Pantermuehl**

03/24/2014

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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