Lauck Lance Form 4 January 11, 2018

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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obligations may continue. See Instruction

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lauck Lance

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 3000

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80203

Common

Stock

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol PDC ENERGY, INC. [PDCE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/10/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

below) EVP, Corp. Dev. & Strategy

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

(D) or

Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

Person

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

Code (D) (Instr. 8)

3.

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)

Transaction(A) or Disposed of

or Code V Amount (D) Price 1,500 $S^{(1)}$ D

01/10/2018 Stock Common

Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of

91,917 53.4

 $2,754 \frac{(2)}{}$

D

I

By 401(k)

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Form: Direct Indirect

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

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Plan

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

10% Owner Officer Other Director

Lauck Lance

1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 3000 DENVER, CO 80203

EVP, Corp. Dev. & Strategy

Signatures

Daniel W. Amidon, by power of attorney

01/11/2018

**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).
- The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 7, **(1)** 2017.
- (2) 401(k) Plan holdings as of January 10, 2018.

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