Yuma Energy, Inc.
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Banks Sam L.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1177 WEST LOOP SOUTH, SUITE 1825

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77027

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
Yuma Energy, Inc. [YUMA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/10/2014

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director __X__ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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	09/10/2014		A		40,871,229	A	(1)	40,871,229	D	
Common Stock	09/10/2014		A		282,488	A	(2) (3)	41,153,717	D	

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

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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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Banks Sam L. 1177 WEST LOOP SOUTH SUITE 1825 HOUSTON, TX 77027	X	X	Chief Executive Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Sam L. Banks	09/22/2014
**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) Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization, dated as of August 1, 2014 (the ?Merger Agreement?), by and among Yuma Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation (?Old Yuma?), Pyramid Oil Company, a California corporation (?New Yuma?), Pyramid Delaware Merger Subsidiary, Inc., and Pyramid Merger Subsidiary, Inc. (?Merger Sub?), Merger Sub merged with and into Old Yuma (the ?Merger?). Upon the effective time of the Merger, each share of common stock of Old Yuma was cancelled and exchanged for 757.34 shares of New Yuma common stock.

(2) Outstanding Old Yuma restricted stock awards were assumed by New Yuma pursuant to the Merger Agreement and replaced with New Yuma restricted stock awards. Each share of Old Yuma restricted stock was exchanged for approximately 757.34 shares of New Yuma restricted stock.

(3) The New Yuma restricted stock award vests as to 112,594 shares of New Yuma common stock on April 1, 2015, as to 37,867 shares on May 20, 2015, as to 56,293 shares on December 31, 2015, as to 37,867 shares on January 1, 2016, and as to 37,867 shares on January 1, 2017.

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