

Diamondback Energy, Inc.
Form 4
August 30, 2016

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WEST STEVEN E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O WEXFORD CAPITAL LP, 411
WEST PUTNAM AVE, SUITE 125**

(Street)

GREENWICH, CT 06830

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]

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

08/28/2016

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	
Restricted Stock Units (1)	08/28/2016		A		1,359 (1)	A \$ 0	1,359 (1) D (1)

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

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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 Own Follo Repor 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
WEST STEVEN E C/O WEXFORD CAPITAL LP 411 WEST PUTNAM AVE, SUITE 125 GREENWICH, CT 06830		X		

Signatures

Steven E. West 08/30/2016

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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1. These securities are restricted stock units that were granted under Diamondback Energy, Inc.'s (the "Issuer") 2012 Equity Incentive Plan. 453 of these restricted stock units vested on August 28, 2016, and the remaining 906 restricted stock units will vest in two equal
- (1) annual installments beginning on July 1, 2017. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of the Issuer, par value \$0.01 per share. These restricted stock units have been assigned to Wexford Capital LP under the terms of Mr. West's employment with Wexford Capital LP. As a result, Mr. West disclaims any pecuniary interest in these restricted stock units.

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