#### HENTSCHEL DAVID A

Form 4

February 22, 2011

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading HENTSCHEL DAVID A Issuer Symbol CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title C/O CIMAREX ENERGY 02/22/2011 below) CO., 1700 LINCOLN STREET, **SUITE 1800** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **DENVER, CO 80203** 

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) order Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Price	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)
Common Stock					10,003	I	Family Trust
Common Stock	02/22/2011		S	5,000 D \$ 114.757	7 14,097	D	

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

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Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
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				C + V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

10% Owner Officer Other Director

HENTSCHEL DAVID A C/O CIMAREX ENERGY CO. 1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800 DENVER, CO 80203

## **Signatures**

Thomas A.

Richardson 02/22/2011

\*\*Signature of Date Reporting Person

### **Explanation of Responses:**

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The price reported in Column 4 for February 22, 2011 sales is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in transactions at prices ranging from \$114.70 to \$114.91, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Cimarex Energy Co., any security holder of Cimarex Energy Co. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

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