

PDC ENERGY, INC.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Shellum Gysle R.

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 3000
 (Street)

DENVER, CO 80203

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PDC ENERGY, INC. [PDCE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/06/2015

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)
 CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 11/06/2015 | | M | 4,206 | \$ 49.57 | A | D |
| Common Stock | 11/06/2015 | | D | 3,609 (1) | \$ 57.78 | D | D |
| Common Stock | 11/06/2015 | | F | 279 (2) | \$ 57.78 | D | D |

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 49.57 | 11/06/2015 | | M | 4,206 | 12/31/2014 ⁽³⁾ 01/15/2024 | Common Stock 4,206 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 3000
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CFO

Signatures

/s/Gysle R.
Shellum 11/10/2015

**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) Includes 3,609 shares representing the deemed exercise price.
- (2) Includes 279 shares surrendered to issuer to cover tax withholding obligation of the reporting person.
- (3) Stock Appreciation Rights vest incrementally on the following dates: December 31, 2014, December 31, 2015 and January 16, 2017.
- (4) Represents unvested Stock Appreciation Rights from original award.

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