US ENERGY CORP

Form 4

October 21, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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See Instruction

Symbol

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(Print or Type Responses)

LARSEN JOHN L

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

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(Last) 877 NORT	(First) (I		f Earliest T Day/Year) 005	ransaction			_X_ Director _X_ Officer (below)	1	10% Owner Other (specify
RIVERTO	(Street) N, WY 82501	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 Person				g Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities A	cquired, Dispose	d of, or Benefic	cially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) U.S. Energy Common	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. SecuritonAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) D (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Stock U.S. Energy Common Stock							812,915	I (6) (7) (8)	By Corporation
U.S. Energy Common							137,952	I (9)	By Immediate Family

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U.S. Energy

Stock

Common

155,811

I (10)

By Trust

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

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	FransactionDerivative Expiration Date Under Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instru		Expiration Date		Fitle and Amount of derlying Securities str. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares	
Employee Option 6 (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.86	10/14/2005		A	9,974	10/14/2005	10/13/2015	U.S. Energy Common Stock	9,974	
Employee Option 6 (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.86	10/14/2005		A	90,026	10/14/2005	10/13/2015	U.S. Energy Common Stock	90,026	
Employee Option 1 (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.875					12/04/1998	09/05/2008	U.S. Energy Common Stock	34,782	
Employee Option 1a (Right to Buy)	\$ 2					12/04/1998	09/25/2008	U.S. Energy Common Stock	77,718	
Employee Option 2 (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.4					01/10/2001	01/09/2011	U.S. Energy Common Stock	184,40	
Employee Option 3 (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.9					12/07/2001	12/06/2011	U.S. Energy Common Stock	100,00	

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Employee Option 4 (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.25	08/08/2002	12/07/2011	U.S. Energy Common Stock	97,000
Employee Option 5 (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.46	07/01/2004	06/30/2014	U.S. Energy Common Stock	125,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner France / Francess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LARSEN JOHN L 877 NORTH 8TH WEST RIVERTON, WY 82501	X		Senior Vice President				

Signatures

By: Robert Scott Lorimer Attorney in Fact 10/21/2005

**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 275,511 shares held directly by the Reporting Person (of this amount, 27,500 shares have been gifted to Reporting Person's wife but are still in Reporting Person's name).
- (2) Includes 106,000 shares held in joint tenancy with the Reporting Person's wife.
- (3) Includes 500 shares held in a street name account for the benefit of the Reporting Person.
- (4) Includes 50,683 shares held in an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) for the benefit of the Reporting Person.
 - Includes 25,200 shares issued under the Restricted Stock Bonus Plan and 120,000 shares issued under the 1996 Stock Award program all of which are subject to forfeiture by the Reporting Person. Shares issued under the 1996 Stock Award program vest over a 5-year period at the rate of 20% per year, The forfeitable shares issued under both plans are deemed 'earned out' by the Reporting Person: (i) if
- (5) he is continuously employed by USEG until he retires; (ii) if he becomes disabled; (iii) upon his death, or (iv) if the shares are claimed within three years following the occurrence of (i) (ii) (iii). The treasurer of USEG holds the shares in trust for the benefit of the Reporting Person, while non-employee directors of USEG exercise shared voting and dispositive rights over all forfeitable shares. The acquisitions of the shares by the Reporting Person from both the Bonus Plan and the Award Program are exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- Includes 512,359 shares held by Crested Corp. (Crested), a majority-owned subsidiary of USEG. The Reporting Person is an Officer and/or Director of both USEG and Crested and is not a controlling shareholder and does not have or share investment controll over these shares, and therefore does not have a pecuniary interest in the USEG shares held by Crested, under rule 16a-1(a)(2)(iii).
- Includes 175,000 shares held by Sutter Gold Mining Company (SGMC), a subsidiary of USEG. The Reporting Person is an Officer and/or Director of both USEG and SGMC and is not a controlling shareholder and does not have or share investment controll over these shares, and therefore does not have a pecuniary interest in the USEG shares held by SGMC, under rule 16a-1(a)(2)(iii).
- Includes 125,556 shares held by Plateau Resources Limited (Plateau), a wholly owned subsidiary of USEG. The Reporting Person is an Officer and/or Director of both USEG and Plateau and is not a controlling shareholder and does not have or share investment controll over these shares, and therefore does not have a pecuniary interest in the USEG shares held by Plateau, under rule 16a-1(a)(2)(iii).
- (9) Includes a balance of shares held in ESOP accounts established to benefit members of the Reporting Persons 'Immediate Family', as that term is defined in Rule 16a-1(e), in accordance with Rule 16a-8(b)(2).

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- (10) Includes shares held in the ESOP which are not allocated to accounts established for the benefit of specific plan participants. The Reporting Person, as an ESOP Trustee, exercises the voting powers with respect to such unallocated shares.
- (11) Includes stock options granted under the Issuer's 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan and exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (12) Includes stock options granted under the Issuer's 1998 Incentive Stock Option Plan and exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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