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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Jacobi Paul M.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O WEXFORD CAPITAL LP, 411

(First)

10/11/2012

(Month/Day/Year)

Officer (give title below)

WEST PUTNAM AVE.

(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

GREENWICH, CT 06830

(Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

(Month/Day/Year)

(State)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

Reported

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and

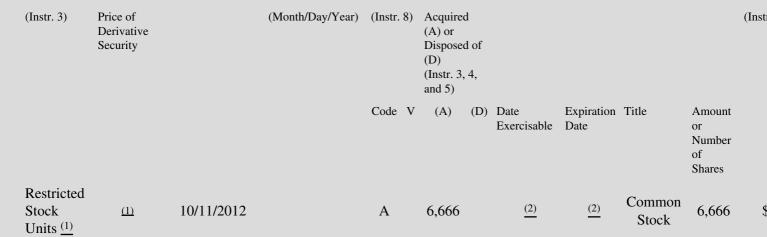
(Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Jacobi Paul M. C/O WEXFORD CAPITAL LP 411 WEST PUTNAM AVE. GREENWICH, CT 06830	X			
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Signatures

/s/ Paul M.
Jacobi

**Signature of Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Diamondback Energy, Inc. (the "Issuer").
- 2,222 restricted stock units will be vested on the closing date of the initial private offering of the Issuer (the "IPO"). 2,222 restricted stock units will be vested on the first annual anniversary of the closing date of the IPO. 2,222 restricted stock units will be vested on the second annual anniversary of the closing date of the IPO. All restricted stock units are subject to certain lock-up agreements the holder has entered into in connection with the IPO. These restricted stock units have been assigned to Wexford Capital LP.

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