

CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC
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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 *
 Stark Jack H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC
 [CLR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 P. O. BOX 1032, 302 N.
 INDEPENDENCE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/16/2008

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 Sr. V.P. Exploration

ENID, OK 73702
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/16/2008		M	27,750 A \$ 1.2727	110,129 ⁽¹⁾	D	

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)

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 1.2727	12/16/2008		M	27,750	<u>(2)</u> 10/01/2010	Common Stock	27,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Stark Jack H P. O. BOX 1032 302 N. INDEPENDENCE ENID, OK 73702			Sr. V.P. Exploration	

Signatures

Jack H. Stark 12/18/2008
 **Signature of Date
 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) Includes 30,000 shares of restricted stock which vest 50% on each of October 5, 2009 and October 5, 2010, and 13,200 shares of restricted stock which vest October 5, 2011.
- (2) 220,000 options granted October 1, 2000, per the terms of the award, all options have vested.

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