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<i>See</i> Instruction 1(b). 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940											
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1. Name and A McCown Mi	ddress of Reporting Pe ichael	erson <u>*</u> 2. Issue Symbol	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
		Gastar	Gastar Exploration Inc. [GST]				(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (Mi	(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction					(		,		
1331 LAMA		(Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2014				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify					
		, 05/15/2	05/15/2014				below) below) Senior VP & COO				
	4. If Am	4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
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(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Tab	le I - Non-D	erivative S	ecuri	ties Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3.		ties A	cquired	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of		
Security (Instr. 3)	Code	(D)	•		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial				
	(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5)	Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)				
					(A)		Reported	(msu: I)	(111541: 1)		
					or		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Restricted				Amount	(D)	Price \$					
Shares	03/15/2014		F <u>(1)</u>	5,926	D	ф 5.17	378,964	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. tionNumber of ) Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative D Security S (Instr. 5) B C F	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo
				Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,						Trans (Instr
			Code 1	4, and 5) V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
McCown Michael 1331 LAMAR ST SUITE 650 HOUSTON, TX 77010			Senior VP & COO					
Signatures								
/s/ Michael A. Gerlich, as Attorney in Fact		03/1						
**Signature of Reporting Person		Ι	Date					
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## **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) Shares forfeited to meet tax obligation of restricted share vesting.

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