

VOLLMER JOHN E III

Form 4

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
VOLLMER JOHN E III

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC
[PTEN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
5956 SHERRY LANE, SUITE 1200

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/22/2013

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Chief Financial Officer

(Street)

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

DALLAS, TX 75225

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	04/22/2013		A	65,000 (1)	A \$ 22.88	418,753	D
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	04/22/2013		F	26,253 (2)	D \$ 22.88	392,500	D
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	04/22/2013		A	57,500 (3)	A \$ 0	450,000	D

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Common
Stock, \$.01
par value
per share

200,000 I

By
Trust(s) ⁽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 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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.88	04/22/2013		A		115,000		<u>(5)</u>	04/21/2023	Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	115,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
VOLLMER JOHN E III 5956 SHERRY LANE SUITE 1200 DALLAS, TX 75225	Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

By Barry Huntsman pursuant to a Limited Power of Attorney filed with the SEC on 04/24/2013
3/29/2013 /s/ Barry Huntsman

^{**}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) Shares received in settlement of the 2010 Performance Unit grant.

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- (2) Shares disposed to pay applicable withholding taxes on shares received from 2010 Performance Unit grant.
- (3) One-third of the shares vest on April 22, 2014 and the remainder vests in equal monthly installments over the twenty-four months following April 22, 2014.
- (4) Held by trust(s) for which the reporting person is a trustee.
- (5) One-third of the options vest on April 22, 2014 and the remainder vests in equal monthly installments over the twenty-four months following April 22, 2014.

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