LANG JOHN DOUGLAS

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Stock

01/26/2011

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LANG JOHN DOUGLAS		Symbol	or Name and Ticker or Trading NG PETROLEUM CORP	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First) (M	(Month/L	of Earliest Transaction Day/Year) 2011	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President		
	(Street)		endment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person		
DENVER, (City)		^{Zip)} Tabl	le I - Non-Derivative Securities A	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	• •	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (E Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Pri	Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/26/2011		A $\frac{2,175}{(2)}$ A \$0	10,710 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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Underlying S		Securities	8. Price Deriva Securit (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2011 Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 120.57					<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2021	Common Stock	2,050	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 68.62					<u>(1)</u>	01/26/2020	Common Stock	1,286	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
LANG JOHN DOUGLAS 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300 DENVER, CO 80290			Vice President		

Signatures

/s/ Bruce R. DeBoer, Attorney-in-Fact 01/28/2011

**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).
- Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity Incentive Plan.

 (1) The option vests and becomes exercisable as follows: 1/3 on 1st anniversary of the date of grant, 2/3 on 2nd anniversary of the date of grant and 3/3 on 3rd anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) Vesting to reporting person under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity Incentive Plan upon attainment of performance criteria.

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