HELMERICH HANS

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Add HELMERICH	*	ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(check an apphendic)				
C/O CIMAREX ENERGY CO., 1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800		_	(Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2010	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specibelow)				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
DENVER, CO	80203		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securin(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock	12/16/2010		S	1,000 (1)	D	\$ 87.681	2,157	I	By daughter Hailey
Common Stock	12/16/2010		S	5,000 (2)	D	\$ 87.74	36,830	I	Trustee, 1993 Hans Helmerich Trust
Common Stock	12/16/2010		S	1,000 (3)	D	\$ 87.726	3,140	I	By Daughter Sunday

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Common Stock	12/17/2010	S	1,000	D	\$ 88.271	4,545	I	By Son Maxim
Common Stock	12/17/2010	G	V 1,000	D	\$ 0	35,830	I	Trustee, 1993 Hans Helmerich Trust

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. 3	ction	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HELMERICH HANS C/O CIMAREX ENERGY CO. 1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800 DENVER, CO 80203

Signatures

Thomas A.

Richardson 12/20/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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).
- The price reported in Column 4 for December 16, 2010 sales is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in two transactions at \$87.69 and \$87.68. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Cimarex Energy Co., any security holder of Cimarex Energy Co. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- The price reported in Column 4 for December 16, 2010 sales is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$87.72 to \$87.79, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Cimarex Energy Co., any security holder of Cimarex Energy Co. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.
- The price reported in Column 4 for December 16, 2010 sales is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$87.71 to \$87.745, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Cimarex Energy Co., any security holder of Cimarex Energy Co. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

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