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February 15, 2011

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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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHNEIDER WILLIAM D			Symbol	ELD EXP	Ticker or Trading PLORATION CO	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			Director Officer (giv	ve title 109			
363 N. SAM SUITE 100	KWY E,	02/11/20	•		below) VP-Onshore GC & International					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
HOUSTON,		Filed(Mon	th/Day/Year)		Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	I - Non-D	erivative Securities A	equired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	r) Executio any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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Code V Amount (D)

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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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date		4.	5. ionNumber	6. Date Exerc		7. Tit		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	.		Under	rlying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	7 (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHNEIDER WILLIAM D 363 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E, SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77060

VP-Onshore GC & International

Signatures

/S/ John D. Marziotti as attorney-in-fact for William D. Schneider

02/15/2011

**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).
- (1) The shares subject to this award will vest in equal annual installments on February 11, 2012, February 11, 2013 and February 11, 2014.
- (2) The shares subject to this award have the possibility of vesting monthly, no earlier than April 15, 2014 and no later than April 15, 2016, and will only vest if certain performance criteria are met.

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