

CASPERSON JAMES R
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CASPERSON JAMES R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BONANZA CREEK ENERGY, INC., 410 17TH STREET, SUITE 1400

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. [BCEI]

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

08/03/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Executive VP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	08/03/2012		A	2,586	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	71,755	D
Common Stock	08/03/2012		F	804 ⁽²⁾	\$ 18.04	70,951 ⁽³⁾	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. 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CASPERSON JAMES R C/O BONANZA CREEK ENERGY, INC. 410 17TH STREET, SUITE 1400 DENVER, CO 80202			Executive VP & CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Christopher I. Humber, 08/07/2012
 Attorney-in-Fact Date

__Signature of Reporting Person

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 have been issued in the form of fully vested restricted stock.
- (2) Represents shares withheld to pay income taxes incurred by the grant.
- (3) Includes (i) 4,682 shares of common stock, (ii) 26,269 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting with 1/3 of such shares vesting on each anniversary of December 20, 2011 and (iii) 40,000 shares of restricted stock subject to vesting with 1/3 of such shares vesting on each anniversary of February 15, 2012.

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