

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Instruction 1(b).

Check this box to indicate that a
transaction was made pursuant to a
contract, instruction or written plan
for the purchase or sale of equity
securities of the issuer that is
intended to satisfy the affirmative
defense conditions of Rule 10b5-
1(c). See Instruction 10.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Meloy Charles Alvin</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>500 WEST TEXAS AVENUE</u> <u>SUITE 100</u> (Street) <u>MIDLAND TX 79701</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]</u> Foreign Trading Symbol 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>09/15/2026</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ☒ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) ☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	09/15/2026		G		25,000 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$0	793,197	I ⁽²⁾	Wolfrock Energy, LLC ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	09/15/2026		G	V	12,500 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	12,500	I ⁽³⁾	Katy Evans Meloy 2011 Trust ⁽³⁾
Common Stock	09/15/2026		G	V	12,500 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	12,500	I ⁽³⁾	Grady Allen Meloy 2011 Trust ⁽³⁾
Common Stock	09/16/2026		G		12,500 ⁽⁴⁾	D	\$0	0	I ⁽³⁾	Katy Evans Meloy 2011 Trust ⁽³⁾
Common Stock	09/16/2026		G		12,500 ⁽⁴⁾	D	\$0	0	I ⁽³⁾	Grady Allen Meloy 2011 Trust ⁽³⁾
Common Stock	09/16/2026		G	V	25,000 ⁽⁴⁾	A	\$0	28,257	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

1. On September 15, 2026, Wolfrock Energy, LLC, a Texas limited liability company whose sole member is CS Ventures, Ltd. CS Ventures, Ltd. is controlled by its general partner, Meloy Management, LLC, which is controlled by the Reporting Person, gifted 12,500 shares to the Katy Evans Meloy 2011 Trust and 12,500 shares to the Grady Allen Meloy 2011 Trust.

2. These securities are held directly by Wolfrock Energy, LLC, a Texas limited liability company whose sole member is CS Ventures, Ltd. CS Ventures, Ltd. is controlled by its general partner, Meloy Management, LLC, which is controlled by the Reporting Person.
3. Mr. Meloy is a trustee of each of the Katy Evans Meloy 2011 Trust and the Grady Allen Meloy 2011 Trust.
4. On September 16, 2026, all of the issuer's securities held by the Katy Evans Meloy 2011 Trust and the Grady Allen Meloy 2011 Trust were gifted to a community property account held by Mr. Meloy and his spouse.

Remarks:

/s/ Matt Zmigrosky, as
attorney-in-fact for Charles A. Meloy 09/17/2026

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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