Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* (Check all applicable) Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG] Molnar Paul Director Officer (give title Other (specify X below) below) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) VP Geoscience 09/16/2013 **500 WEST TEXAS SUITE 1225** 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable (Street) X Form filed by One Reporting Person **MIDLAND** TX79701 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (qiZ)

Tal	ble I - Non-Derivative	Securities Ac	quirec	l, Dis	sposed of,	or Be	neficially (Owned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(iiisu. 4)
Common Stock	09/16/2013		М		17,143	A	\$0	17,143	D	
Common Stock	09/16/2013		S		17,143	D	\$44.7119	17,143	D	
Common Stock	09/18/2013		M		23,725	A	\$17.5	23,725	D	
Common Stock	09/18/2013		S		23,725	D	\$44.4937	23,725	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transa Code (8)		of Deri Sec Acq (A) Disp of (I	umber ivative urities uired or oosed O) (Instr. and 5)	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)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	(1)	09/16/2013		М			17,143	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	17,143	\$0	17,144	D	
Stock Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	\$17.5 ⁽³⁾	09/18/2013		М			23,725	(3)	08/15/2016 ⁽³⁾	Common Stock	23,725	\$0	76,275	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Diamondback Energy, Inc. (the "Issuer") and was granted under the Issuer's 2012 Stock Incentive Plan.
- $2. \ The \ remaining \ 17,144 \ restricted \ stock \ units \ will \ vest \ in \ two \ equal \ annual \ installments \ beginning \ August \ 15,2014.$
- 3. Options to purchase 26,275 shares of Common Stock are currently vested. The remaining options to purchase 50,000 shares of Common Stock will vest in two remaining approximately equal annual installments beginning on August 15, 2014.

<u>/s/ Randall J. Holder, as</u> attorney-in-fact for Paul Molnar

** 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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