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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) Meloy Charles Alvin 09/10/2024 | | | | | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Diamondback Energy, Inc.</u> [FANG] | | | | |
|---|-----------------------|----------|---|--------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| (Last) 500 WEST TE SUITE 100 (Street) MIDLAND | (First) XAS AVENUE | (Middle) | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to (Check all applicable) | lssuer 10% Owner Other (specify | (halau) | ndividual or Joint/Gr | of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) oup Filing (Check Applicable Line) One Reporting Person More than One Reporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I | Non-Deriv | rative Securities Beneficially O | wned | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | | | 2 | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Dwned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership F | 3. Ownership Form: 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect | | neficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 38 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,195,017(1) | I ⁽¹⁾ W | | Volfrock Energy, LLC ⁽¹⁾ | |
| | | | | | ive Securities Beneficially Owr rrants, options, convertible sec | | | | |
| Expirati | | | 2. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/ | ate | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Under Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | erlying | 4. Conversion or Exercise | 5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
| | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | (I) (Instr. 5) | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares of common stock are held directly by Wolfrock Energy, LLC, a Texas limited liability company. Charles A. Meloy is the sole manager and has voting and dispositive power over the shares of common stock of Wolfrock Energy, LLC. Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Limited Power of Attorney

| /s/ Teresa L. Dick, as attorney-in-fact for Charles A. Meloy | <u>09/10/2024</u> |
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| ** Signature of Penorting Person | Date |

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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 5 (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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DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SECTION 16 FILINGS

I, Charles A. Meloy, of Diamondback Energy, Inc., do hereby make, constitute and appoint Kaes Van't Hof, Matt Zmigrosky and Teresa L. Dick, and each of them acting individually, my true and lawful attorneys for the purposes hereinafter set forth, effective as of this 4th day of September, 2024.

References in this limited power of attorney to "my Attorney" are to each of the persons named above and to the person or persons substituted hereunder pursuant to the power of substitution granted herein.

I hereby grant to my Attorney, for me and in my name, place and stead, the power:

- To execute for and on my behalf, in my capacity as an officer, director and/or stockholder of the Diamondback Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), Form 3, Form 4, and Form 5, and all and any amendments thereto, in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (the "Exchange Act");
- 2. To do and to perform any and all acts for and on my behalf that may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, Form 4 and Form 5, or any amendment thereto, and to timely file such form or amendment thereto with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- 3. To take any other action of any type whatsoever that, in the opinion of my Attorney, may be necessary or desirable in connection with the foregoing grant of authority, it being understood that the documents executed by my Attorney pursuant to this limited power of attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as my Attorney may approve.

I hereby grant to my Attorney full power and authority to do and to perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that my Attorney shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this limited power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. I acknowledge and agree that neither my Attorney nor the Company is assuming any of my responsibilities to comply with the Exchange Act.

This limited power of attorney shall remain in full force and effect until I am no longer required to file any Form 3, Form 4 or Form 5 with respect to my holdings of, and transactions in, securities of the Company, unless earlier revoked by me in a signed writing delivered to each of my Attorneys or the Company. This limited power of attorney may be filed with the SEC as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand to this instrument on the date first above written.

/s/ Charles A. Meloy Charles A. Meloy

STATE OF Texas §

COUNTY OF Montgomery §

Before me, on this day personally appeared Charles A. Meloy, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 4th day of September, 2024.

/s/ Victoria Spinks Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 04-09-2028

Notary ID # 134841901

[Affix Notary Seal]