

MERELLI F H
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MERELLI F H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE
1800

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80203

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/02/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

CEO, Pres

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock					152,300	I	By IRA
Common Stock					16,054	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock	01/02/2010		D		2,400 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$ 0 637,932 D
Common Stock	01/02/2010		F		23,786 ⁽²⁾	D	\$ 0 614,146 D
Common Stock	01/04/2010		A		100,000 ⁽³⁾	A	\$ 0 714,146 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 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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MERELLI F H
1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 1800
DENVER, CO 80203

CEO, Pres

Signatures

Thomas A. Richardson,
attorney-in-fact

01/05/2010

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Relates to performance award with a vesting date of 1/2/10. Represents shares forfeited pursuant to performance criteria.

(2) Relates to performance award with a vesting date of 1/2/10. Represents shares vested but withheld for taxes as permitted by the award agreement.

(3) Represents a performance award of restricted stock that is subject to three-year cliff vesting and the satisfaction of certain performance criteria.

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