

WENDEL STEPHEN T

Form 4

November 16, 2012

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WENDEL STEPHEN T

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP
[AXAS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
18803 MEISNER DRIVE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/13/2012

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

VP - Land and Contracts

SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	11/13/2012		M		17,000	A	\$ 0.65
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock					97,825	I	401-K

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)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.65	11/13/2012		M	17,000	11/22/2006	11/22/2016	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	17,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.74					03/08/2013	03/08/2022	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	10,400
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.72					03/15/2012	03/15/2021	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	30,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 2.09					03/16/2014	03/16/2020	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	60,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 1.75					10/05/2010	10/05/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	66,930
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.59					09/13/2009	09/13/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	50,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.6					08/28/2011	08/28/2017	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	15,330
Employee Stock	\$ 0.99					03/17/2003	03/17/2019	Abraxas Petroleum	50,000

Option

Common
Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WENDEL STEPHEN T 18803 MEISNER DRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258			VP - Land and Contracts	

Signatures

Stephen T. Wendel	11/16/2012
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__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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