

Pantermuehl Russell
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Pantermuehl Russell

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/16/2018

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 Exec. VP Reservoir Engineering

MIDLAND, TX 79701

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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	Price		
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S		7,821	D	\$ 124.3633	109,471	D
							(1)		
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S		7,811	D	\$ 125.0911	101,660	D
							(2)		
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S		8,128	D	\$ 126.198	93,532	D
							(3)		

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Pantermuehl Russell 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 MIDLAND, TX 79701			Exec. VP Reservoir Engineering	

Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for Russell
Pantermuehl
02/21/2018

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

- (1) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$123.78 per share to \$124.77 per share, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Diamondback Energy, Inc., any security holder of Diamondback Energy, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in footnotes 1, 2 and 3 of this Form 4.
- (2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$124.80 per share to \$125.79 per share, inclusive.
- (3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$125.82 per share to \$126.65 per share, inclusive.

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