WHITING PETROLEUM CORP

Form 4 January 09, 2014

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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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ross Rick A Mr.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

WHITING PETROLEUM CORP [WLL]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/07/2014

1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300

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

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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DENVER, CO 80290-2300

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Owned (Instr. 8) (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 14,487 01/07/2014 A A \$0 38,077 D Stock (1) Common 01/07/2014 F 4,726 D 33,351 D Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	of		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price Deriva Securit (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2011 Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 60.285					(2)	01/18/2021	Common Stock	4,100	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 34.31					(2)	01/26/2020	Common Stock	2,572	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 51.22					(2)	01/18/2022	Common Stock	1,731	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 12.755					(2)	02/18/2019	Common Stock	8,318	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
steporting of the relations	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Ross Rick A Mr. 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300 DENVER, CO 80290-2300			Vice President			
Signatures						
/s/ Bruce R. DeBoer, Attorney-in-Fact	01.	/09/2014				
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date				

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- * 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) Vesting to reporting person of restricted stock under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity Incentive Plan upon attainment of performance criteria.
- Grant to reporting person of ten-year option to buy shares of common stock under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity

 (2) Incentive Plan. The option vests and becomes exercisable as follows: 1/3 on 1st anniversary of the date of grant, 2/3 on 2nd anniversary of the date of grant and 3/3 on 3rd anniversary of the date of grant.

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