

PEAK KENNETH R

Form 4

November 23, 2010

**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 \*  
PEAK KENNETH R

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
CONTANGO OIL & GAS CO  
[MCF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3700 BUFFALO  
SPEEDWAY, SUITE 960

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/19/2010

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  
Chairman & CEO

HOUSTON, TX 77098

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
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
Common Stock	11/19/2010		M		200,000	A	\$ 21 2,529,719
Common Stock	11/19/2010		D		71,980	D	\$ 58.35 2,457,739
Common Stock	11/19/2010		S		128,020	D	\$ 58.35 2,329,719

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 of Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21	11/19/2010		M		200,000		02/07/2007	02/07/2012	Common Stock	200,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PEAK KENNETH R 3700 BUFFALO SPEEDWAY SUITE 960 HOUSTON, TX 77098	X	X	Chairman & CEO	

## Signatures

Kenneth R. Peak 11/23/2010

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of  
Reporting Person

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Reporting person engaged in a cashless exercise of stock options granted under the Issuer's Incentive Plan exempt under 16b-3 using

- (1) Contango's common stock having a value at the date of exercise of \$58.35 per share to pay the exercise price. Shares acquired were sold at a price of \$58.35 per share.

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