

CIMAREX ENERGY CO
 Form 4
 March 05, 2003

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| <p>FORM 4</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).</p> <p>(Print or Type Responses)</p> | <p>UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION</p> <p>Washington, D.C. 20549</p> <p>STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP</p> <p>Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940</p> | <p>OMB APPROVAL</p> <hr/> <p>OMB Number: 3235-0287 Expires: January 31, 2005 Estimated average burden hours per response. . . 0.5</p> |
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| <p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Korus Paul</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">c/o Cimarex Energy Co. 707 17th Street, Suite 3300</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Street)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Denver Colorado 80202-3404</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(City) (State) (Zip)</p> | <p>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cimarex Energy Co. (XEC)</p> | <p>4. Statement for (Month/Day/Year)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">03/04/03</p> | <p>6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Vice President, CFO and Treasurer</u></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)</p> <p>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p> |
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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) |
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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
|--------------|----------|--|------|---|--------|------------|----------|--------|---|--|
| Common Stock | 03/04/03 | | M | | 5,000 | A | \$9.6875 | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/04/03 | | S | | 5,000 | D | \$20.00 | 52,200 | 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. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Securities: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Name of Indirect Beneficial Owner (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$9.6875 | 03/04/03 | | M | | | 5,000 | (1) | 09/06/09 | | Common Stock | 5,000 | | 156,000 | D | | |
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Explanation of Responses:

(1) This option became 100% vested on September 30, 2003, the effective date of the merger transaction among Key Production Company, Inc., Helmerich & Payne, Inc., Helmerich & Payne Exploration and Production Co. (now known as Cimarex Energy Co.) and Mountain Acquisition Co.

/s/Paul Korus

03/05/03

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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