

CUNNINGHAM THOMAS DONALD III  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 CUNNINGHAM THOMAS DONALD III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 GEOPETRO RESOURCES CO [GPR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/19/2010

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

17 RIVERVIEW STREET

(Street)

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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ESSEX, CT 06426

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.28	07/19/2010	D <sup>(1)</sup>		50,000		<u>(1)</u>	06/26/2013	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.5	07/19/2010	A <sup>(1)</sup>		50,000		<u>(1)</u>	06/26/2013	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 0.5	07/19/2010	A		15,000		<u>(2)</u>	07/18/2015	Common Stock	15,000

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

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ESSEX, CT 06426

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## Signatures

/s/ Thomas D.  
Cunningham III

07/23/2010

\*\*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).

The two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option (1) and the grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on June 27, 2008 and provides for vesting in five equal annual installments commencing on June 27, 2009.

(2) Options vest at the rate of 20% per year commencing on 7/19/2011.

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