

Jaques Wade E  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Jaques Wade E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. [BCEI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

12/19/2011

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

Controller

410 17TH STREET, SUITE 1500

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

DENVER, CO 80202

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                             |
| Common Stock                    | 12/19/2011                           |  | P                              |   | 1,000   | A  | \$ 12.79                          |
| Common Stock <sup>(2)</sup>     | 12/20/2011                           |  | A                              |   | 6,567 <sup>(3)</sup>  | A  | \$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>               |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 2,150 <sup>(1)</sup>              |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 8,567 <sup>(4)</sup>              |

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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                         |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V   | (A)  | (D)  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Relationships |           |            |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer    | Other |
| Jaques Wade E<br>410 17TH STREET<br>SUITE 1500<br>DENVER, CO 80202 |               |           | Controller |       |

## Signatures

Chris Humber as  
Attorney-in-Fact  
Date: 12/20/2011

\_\_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) Includes (i) 2,000 shares of common stock and (ii) 150 shares of Class B common stock subject to conversion as described below.  
Pursuant to the second amended and restated certificate of incorporation of the company, immediately prior to the December 20, 2011
- (2) closing of the company's initial public offering of common stock (the "Closing") and after the conversion of the Class B common stock as described in note (3), all of the shares of Class A common stock of the company were reclassified as common stock all of one class.
- (3) Shares resulting from the conversion of 150 shares of Class B common stock immediately prior to the Closing. Such shares are issued as restricted stock subject to a three-year vesting schedule with 1/3 of the shares vesting on each anniversary of the Closing.
- (4) Includes (i) 2,000 shares of common stock and (ii) 6,567 shares of common stock subject to the restrictions set forth in note (3).

### Remarks:

List of Exhibits: Exhibit 24 Power of Attorney

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