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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP [AXAS] Bommer Peter A. (Month/Day/Year) 03/08/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 18803 MEISNER DRIVE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer _ Other Person SAN ANTONIO, TXÂ 78258 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One VP - Engineering Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock D Â 68,188 Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock 10,339 I 401-K Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			Derivative	Security:	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option	09/05/2011	09/05/2017	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	5,000	\$ 3.61	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	03/17/2013	03/17/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	7,500	\$ 0.99	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	10/05/2013	10/05/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	31,875	\$ 1.75	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	03/16/2014	03/16/2020	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	35,900	\$ 2.09	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	03/15/2015	03/15/2021	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	15,000	\$ 4.72	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	08/09/2015	08/09/2021	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	25,000	\$ 3.55	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Bommer Peter A. 18803 MEISNER DRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258	Â	Â	VP - Engineering	Â		

Signatures

Peter A.
Bommer

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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