Broaddrick William Randall Form 4 July 19, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

| | Address of Reporting 1 William Randall | Symbol | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARENA RESOURCES INC [ARD] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|-----------|---|---|----------|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) 8806 E. 931 | | (Month/ | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/16/2010 | | | | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | | |
| TULSA, Ol | (Street) K 74133 | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | Chief Financial Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tal | ole I - Non-E | Perivative Se | ecuritie | | iired, Disposed of | f, or Beneficiall | ly Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Code | 4. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 | osed of | | 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) | |
| Common | 07/16/2010 | | _ | 406000 | _ | | ^ | _ | | |

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)

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| 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 orDerivative 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 or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option | \$ 37.59 | 07/16/2010 | | D | | 50,000 | (2) | 06/01/2013 | Common Stock | 50,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 19.23 | 07/16/2010 | | D | | 100,000 | (3) | 07/22/2012 | Common Stock | 100,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Broaddrick William Randall

8806 E. 93RD ST Chief Financial Officer

TULSA, OK 74133

Signatures

William Randall Broaddrick 07/16/2010

**Signature of Reporting 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) Disposed of pursuant to merger agreement among the issuer, SandRidge Energy, Inc. and Steel Subsidiary Corporation in exchange for 650,641 shares of SandRidge common stock and other merger consideration, with an imputed value of \$35.93 per share.
- (2) This "out of the money" option was cancelled pursuant to the merger agreement among the issuer, SandRidge Energy, Inc. and Steel Subsidiary Corporation.
- (3) This option was vested and deemed exercised in exchange for 254,228 shares of SandRidge Energy, Inc. common stock pursuant to merger agreement among the issuer, SandRidge and Steel Subsidiary Corporation.

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