GRAVES MICHAEL JAMES

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

GRAVES MICHAEL JAMES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

TORCHLIGHT ENERGY RESOURCES INC [TRCH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable) Director

Officer (give title

10% Owner

Other (specify

5700 WEST PLANO PARKWAY,

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

SUITE 3600

(Instr. 3)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

08/16/2018

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Issuer

below)

PLANO, TX 75093

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

3. (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Code (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

> Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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 Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year	·)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amous Numb Shares
Stock Options	\$ 1.19	08/16/2018		A	200,000		08/16/2018(1)	08/16/2023	Common Stock	200,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GRAVES MICHAEL JAMES 5700 WEST PLANO PARKWAY, SUITE 3600 PLANO, TX 75093

Signatures

/s/ Michael J.

Graves 08/20/2018

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Granted under the Amended and Restated 2015 Stock Option Plan. 100,000 of the stock options vested immediately, and the remaining 100,000 stock options will vest on August 16, 2019
- (2) Director compensation

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