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FORM 4

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

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obligations

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Clarke Tod A

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

18803 MEISNER DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP [AXAS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/04/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

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(Check all applicable)

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

Vice President - Land

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

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SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258

(City)	(State) (E	Table 1 - 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 tion(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Directory Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	04/01/2018		Code V	Amount 27,397	or (D)	Price \$ 2.19	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 121,476	D		
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	03/31/2018(1)		P	4,729 (1)	A	\$ 2.2	28,409	I	401-K	

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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title a Underlyi (Instr. 3 a
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Performance-based Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0 (2)	04/01/2018		M	27,397	(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Abrax Petrole Comm Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.15					03/11/2015(4)	03/11/2024	Abrax Petrole Comm Stock
Employee Stock Options	\$ 0.97					03/15/2017(4)	03/17/2026	Abrax Petrole Comm Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.74					03/08/2013(4)	03/08/2022	Abrax Petrole Comm Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.72					03/15/2012(4)	03/15/2021	Abrax Petrole Comm Stoc
Employee Stock Option	\$ 2.09					03/16/2011(4)	03/16/2020	Abrax Petrole Comm Stoc
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.99					03/17/2010(4)	03/17/2019	Abrax Petrole Comm Stoc
Employee Stock Option	\$ 2.39					05/14/2014(4)	05/14/2023	Abrax Petrole

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\$ 3.55 \qquad \quad \qua

Petrole Comm

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Employee Stock

Employee Stock

Option

Option

\$ 1.75

10/05/2010⁽⁴⁾ 10/05/2019

Petrole Comm

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Clarke Tod A

18803 MEISNER DRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258 Vice President - Land

Signatures

Tod A. Clarke 04/04/2018

**Signature of 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) Employer match to 401-K for the year ended December 31, 2017.
- Each performance-based restricted stock unit (RSU) represents the right to receive, following vesting, up to 200% of one share of Abraxas Petroleum common stock. The resulting number of shares of Abraxas Petroleum common stock acquired upon vesting of the performance-based RSUs is contingent upon the achievement of of pre-established performance metrics, as approved by the Company's Compensation Committee, over a three-year performance period beginning on April 1, 2018 and ending on April 1, 2021.
- (3) Unless earlier forfeited under the terms of the Performance-based RSU, each performance-based RSU vest and converts into no more than 200% of of one share of Abraxas Petroleum common stock three years after the grant date.
- (4) Options vest 25% per year from the grant date.

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