Sanchez Energy Corp Form 4 January 17, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Sanchez Ene		-	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Sanchez Energy Corp [SN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
1111 BAGB	Y STREET,	SUITE	(Month/Day/Year) 01/12/2012	DirectorX 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) Director by Deputization			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
Filed(Month/Day/Year) HOUSTON, TX 77002				Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curitie	es Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code	4. Securities on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 a	osed o		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(A) or		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/12/2012		Code V A	Amount 750,000 (1)	(D) A	Price (1)	22,090,909	D (2)	
Common Stock							350,000	D (3)	

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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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting Owner Name / Names	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Sanchez Energy Partners I LP 1111 BAGBY STREET, SUITE 1600 HOUSTON, TX 77002		X		Director by Deputization			
SANCHEZ ANTONIO R JR 1111 BAGBY STREET SUITE 1600 HOUSTON, TX 77002		X		Director by Deputization			
Sanchez Oil & Gas Corp 1111 BAGBY STREET, SUITE 1600 HOUSTON, TX 77002		X		Director by Deputization			
SEP Management I, LLC 1111 BAGBY STREET, SUITE 1600 HOUSTON, TX 77002		X		Director by Deputization			
Signatures							

/s/ See Remarks

01/17/2012 **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)** In connection with the initial public offering ("IPO") of the common stock of Sanchez Energy Corporation (the "Issuer"), and pursuant to the terms of the Contribution, Conveyance and Assumption Agreement, dated as of December 19, 2011, by and between Sanchez Energy Partners I, LP ("SEP I") and the Issuer (the "Contribution Agreement"), SEP I contributed to the Issuer all of the membership interests in SEP Holdings III, LLC in exchange for \$50 million and 21,340,909 shares of the Issuer's common stock (exclusive of

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750,000 shares to be issued to SEP I if the underwriters in the IPO did not exercise their over-allotment option within 30 days (the "Option Period")). On January 12, 2012, the Option Period expired and the underwriters did not exercise their option. Pursuant to the Contribution Agreement, on January 12, 2012, the Issuer issued 750,000 shares of common stock to SEP I.

These shares are owned directly by SEP I. SEP I is controlled by its general partner, SEP Management I, LLC ("SEP Management"),

which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sanchez Oil & Gas Corporation ("SOG"). SOG is managed by A.R. Sanchez, Jr. and Antonio R. Sanchez, III. A.R. Sanchez, Jr. shares voting and dispositive power over the shares controlled by SEP I. Each of A.R. Sanchez, Jr., SOG and SEP Management disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership by A.R. Sanchez, Jr., SOG or SEP Management of all of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.

(3) Represents a grant of 350,000 shares of restricted stock received by A.R. Sanchez, Jr. from the Issuer, which was previously reported on the Form 4 filed on January 11, 2012.

Remarks:

/s/ A.R. Sanchez, Jr., Signed in the following capacities: A.R. Sanchez, Jr. is signing for himself, as well as in his capacity as ONOTE: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.