

Rocket Fuel Inc.
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Ericson William W.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3000 SAND HILL
ROAD, BUILDING THREE, SUITE
290

(Street)

MENLO PARK, CA 94025

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Rocket Fuel Inc. [FUEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/25/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 09/25/2013 | | C | | 11,433,501 | A | $\frac{(2)}{(4)} \frac{(3)}{(5)}$ |
| Common Stock | 09/25/2013 | | S | | 480,770 | D | \$ 26.97 |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,872 | D | |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative 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) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|-----------|--|-----------------|---|----------------------|
| | | | | | V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Series A Convertible Preferred Stock | (2) | 09/25/2013 | | C | | 9,153,564 | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 9,153,564 |
| Series B Convertible Preferred Stock | (3) | 09/25/2013 | | C | | 1,684,149 | (3) | (3) | Common Stock | 1,684,149 |
| Series C Convertible Preferred Stock | (4) | 09/25/2013 | | C | | 340,773 | (4) | (4) | Common Stock | 340,773 |
| Series C-1 Convertible Preferred Stock | (5) | 09/25/2013 | | C | | 255,015 | (5) | (5) | Common Stock | 255,015 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Ericson William W. 3000 SAND HILL ROAD BUILDING THREE, SUITE 290 MENLO PARK, CA 94025 | X | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Ken Scully by power of attorney

09/27/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Shares directly held by MDV IX, L.P. ("MDV IX"), as nominee for MDV IX and MDV ENF IX, L.P. Ninth MDV Partners, L.L.C. ("Ninth MDV") is the General Partner of MDV IX. William Ericson, a director of the Issuer, and Jonathan Feiber are Managing Members

- (1) of Ninth MDV. Each of William Ericson, Jonathan Feiber, and Ninth MDV may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the shares held by MDV IX. Each disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his or its respective pecuniary interest therein. Ninth MDV, MDV IX, and Jonathan Feiber are filing a separate Form 4.
- (2) The Series A Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into Common Stock on a 1:1 basis immediately prior to the completion of the Issuer's public offering and had no expiration date.
- (3) The Series B Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into Common Stock on a 1:1 basis immediately prior to the completion of the Issuer's public offering and had no expiration date.
- (4) The Series C Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into Common Stock on a 1:1 basis immediately prior to the completion of the Issuer's public offering and had no expiration date.
- (5) The Series C-1 Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into Common Stock on a 1:1 basis immediately prior to the completion of the Issuer's public offering and had no expiration date.

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