

Sanchez Energy Corp
Form 4
January 11, 2012

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SANCHEZ ANTONIO R JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1111 BAGBY STREET, SUITE
1600

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

Sanchez Energy Corp [SN]

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

01/09/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Director by Deputization

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/09/2012		A	Amount 350,000 (1)	A 350,000	D	
Common Stock					21,340,909	I	See footnote (2)

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SANCHEZ ANTONIO R JR 1111 BAGBY STREET SUITE 1600 HOUSTON, TX 77002		X		Director by Deputization

Signatures

/s/ Alfredo Gutierrez,
Attorney-in-Fact 01/11/2012

__Signature of Reporting 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) Represents a grant of 350,000 shares of restricted stock received by A.R. Sanchez, Jr. from Sanchez Energy Corporation.
- These shares are owned directly by Sanchez Energy Partners I, LP ("SEP I"). SEP I is controlled by its general partner, SEP Management I, LLC, 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. A.R. Sanchez, Jr.
- (2) disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these securities in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.

Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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