

Diamondback Energy, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 *
Hollis Michael L.

(Last) (First) (Middle)
500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200

(Street)

MIDLAND, TX 79701

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/16/2017

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)
VP and Chief Operating Officer

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/16/2017		A	(A) Amount 20,000 (1)	\$ 0 82,525	I (2)	By MBH Investments, Ltd. (2)
Common Stock	02/16/2017		A	(A) Amount 13,650 (3)	\$ 0 96,175	I (2)	By MBH Investments, Ltd. (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)

Table with columns: 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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 6), 10. Date of Reporting (Instr. 7), 11. Derivative Security Underlying (Instr. 8), 12. Conversion or Exercise Rate (Instr. 3), 13. Conversion or Exercise Price (Instr. 3), 14. Conversion or Exercise Date (Month/Day/Year), 15. Conversion or Exercise Price (Instr. 3), 16. Conversion or Exercise Price (Instr. 3).

Reporting Owners

Table with columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships (Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other). Entry: Hollis Michael L., 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200, MIDLAND, TX 79701, VP and Chief Operating Officer.

Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for Michael Hollis 02/21/2017

**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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These securities are performance based restricted stock units for the performance period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016 that were granted under the issuer's equity incentive plan.
(1) All of these performance based restricted stock units vested as of December 31, 2016 upon certification by the issuer's compensation committee of attainment of the applicable performance conditions on February 16, 2017.
These securities are held by MBH Investments, Ltd., which is managed by MBH Financial, LLC, its general partner. Mr. Hollis, his spouse, and the Hollis 2014 Irrevocable Trust hold 100% of the membership interests in MBH Financial, LLC, of which Mr. Hollis is the manager.
(2) These securities are restricted stock units that were granted under the issuer's equity incentive plan. 4,550 of these restricted stock units vested on February 16, 2017, and the remaining 9,100 restricted stock units will vest in two equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2018.
(3)

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