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### FORM 4

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(City)

(State)

(Zip)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Briggs Thomas P	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	WHITING PETROLEUM CORP [WLL]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2011	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specification)			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
DENVER, CO 80290-2300		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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	08/01/2011		P		A	\$ 59.237	18,865	D	
Common Stock							880	I	By Spouse

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of		or Exercise Price of Derivative	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative	of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,			Underlying Security Securities (Instr. 5) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Security	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Owner Officer Other Director

Briggs Thomas P 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300 X DENVER, CO 80290-2300

### **Signatures**

/s/ Bruce R. DeBoer, 08/01/2011 Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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