

PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP  
 Form 3  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â WILLIAMSON HERBERT C III			(Month/Day/Year)	PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP [HAWK]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	07/28/2005		
1100 LOUISIANA,Â SUITE 4400			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Street)			(Check all applicable)		
HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 77002			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below)    (specify below)		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable    Expiration Date	Title    Amount or Number of			

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				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	07/28/2005	11/12/2012	Common Stock	15,282	\$ 0.76	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	07/28/2005	05/20/2013	Common Stock	3,821	\$ 0.8	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <sup>(3)</sup>	07/28/2005	05/19/2014	Common Stock	3,821	\$ 7.57	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <sup>(4)</sup>	07/28/2005	12/06/2014	Common Stock	3,821	\$ 5.81	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WILLIAMSON HERBERT C III 1100 LOUISIANA SUITE 4400 HOUSTON, TX 77002	Â X	Â	Â	Â

## Signatures

David S. Elkouri, Attorney  
in Fact 08/01/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Received in the merger of Mission Resources Corporation with and into Issuer in exchange for a stock option to acquire 20,000 shares of Mission Resources Corporation common stock for \$0.575 per share.
- (2) Received in the merger of Mission Resources Corporation with and into Issuer in exchange for a stock option to acquire 5,000 shares of Mission Resources Corporation common stock for \$0.61 per share.
- (3) Received in the merger of Mission Resources Corporation with and into Issuer in exchange for a stock option to acquire 5,000 shares of Mission Resources Corporation common stock for \$5.78 per share.
- (4) Received in the merger of Mission Resources Corporation with and into Issuer in exchange for a stock option to acquire 5,000 shares of Mission Resources Corporation common stock for \$4.435 per share.

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