PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

CHRISTMAS JAMES W

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP [HAWK]					RP	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(Month/Day/Year)							X Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below)				
1100 LOUISIANA, SUITE 4400			08/14/20	08/14/2006					Vice Chairman			
(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				
HOUSTON	, TX 77002								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - No	n-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution	emed on Date, if 'Day/Year)	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired ction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			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	08/14/2006			Code P	v	Amount 10,000	(D)	Price \$ 9.99	1,912,089	D		
Common Stock	08/14/2006			P		5,000	A	\$ 9.97	1,917,089	D		
Common Stock	08/14/2006			P		12,500	A	\$ 9.96	1,929,589	D		
Common Stock	08/14/2006			P		9,300	A	\$ 9.95	1,938,889	D		
Common Stock	08/14/2006			P		2,500	A	\$ 9.94	1,941,389	D		

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Common Stock	08/14/2006	P	10,000	A	\$ 9.93	1,951,389	D	
Common Stock	08/14/2006	P	700	A	\$ 9.92	1,952,089	D	
Common Stock						59,400	I	See Note

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	Expiration D (Month/Day/	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and at of ying ies 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title I	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

**Signature of Reporting Person

in Fact

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	Rela 10% Owner	tionships Officer	Other
CHRISTMAS JAMES W 1100 LOUISIANA SUITE 4400 HOUSTON, TX 77002	X			Vice Chairman
Signatures				
David S. Elkouri, Attorney		08/16/2006		

08/16/2006

Date

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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) These shares are held in trust for the reporting person's children, the beneficial ownership of which is disclaimed. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the shares for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.

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