Diamondback Energy, Inc.

Form 4

February 23, 2017

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Pantermuehl Russell			Symbol Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]					Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2017					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP Reservoir Engineering				
				endment, I onth/Day/Ye	Č	nal	Aj	5. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) X_Form filed by One Reporting Person				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non	-Derivativ	e Seci	urities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	esed of 4 and (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	02/21/2017			S	9,800	D	108.0227 (1)	85,414	D			
Common Stock	02/21/2017			S	200	D	\$ 108.735 (2)	85,214	D			

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)

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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer 10% Owner Other Director

Pantermuehl Russell 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 MIDLAND, TX 79701

VP Reservoir Engineering

Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for Russell Pantermuehl

02/23/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- 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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$107.72 per share to \$108.44 per share, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Diamondback Energy, Inc., any security holder of Diamondback Energy, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth footnotes 1 and 2.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$108.72 per share to \$108.75 per share, inclusive.

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