STUMP DARWIN L

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STUMP DARWIN L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORP [PETD]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

03/16/2006

C/O PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORP, 103 E MAIN STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

CFO

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BRIDGEPORT, WV 26330

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

29,611

Restricted Common

Stock

03/16/2006

4,381 Α

D

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$\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number opf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ((Instr. 3 and 4)		8. D Se (I
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Options (Common Stock)	\$ 43.74	03/16/2006		A	880	03/16/2007	03/16/2016	Common Stock	880	9
Options (Common Stock)	\$ 43.74	03/16/2006		A	881	03/16/2008	03/16/2016	Common Stock	881	9
Options (Common Stock)	\$ 43.74	03/16/2006		A	881	03/16/2009	03/16/2016	Common Stock	881	5
Options (Common Stock)	\$ 43.74	03/16/2006		A	881	03/16/2010	03/16/2016	Common Stock	881	9

Reporting Owners

Relationsnips				
Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
	CEC			
		CFO		
	Director		Director 10% Owner Officer CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Darwin L. Stump	03/20/2006		
**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).
- (1) These shares vest 25% upon the passage of each year following the grant.

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