

ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP

Form 4

March 18, 2011

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WALLACE WILLIAM H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

18803 MEISNER DRIVE

(Street)

SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

**ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP
[AXAS]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/15/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

VP Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	03/15/2011		A		1,681	D	\$ 4.72
					106,800	D	

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.72	03/15/2011		A		30,000		03/15/2012 ⁽¹⁾	03/15/2021	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	30,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 2.09							03/16/2011	03/16/2020	Abraxas Common Stock	60,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 1.75							10/05/2010	10/05/2015	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	66,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.99							03/17/2010	03/17/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	50,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.6							08/28/2011	08/28/2017	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	18,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.59							09/13/2009	09/13/2015	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	50,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.65							11/22/2006	11/22/2012	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	22,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.66							03/23/2005	03/23/2011	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	15,000
Employee Stock	\$ 0.68							04/24/2007	04/24/2013	Abraxas Petroleum	15,000

Option

Common
Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WALLACE WILLIAM H 18803 MEISNER DRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258			VP Operations	

Signatures

William H.
Wallace

03/18/2011

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Options vest 25% per year beginning one year from grant date.

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