ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP

Form 4 March 28, 2016

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).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

WENDEL STEPHEN T

(Street)

(State)

ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP

(Check all applicable)

[AXAS]

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

01/29/2016

below) VP - Land and Contracts

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Director

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

Person

18803 MEISNER DRIVE

SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

4. Securities Acquired

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Abraxas

Petroleum Common

306,422 D

Stock **Abraxas**

Stock

Petroleum 01/29/2016(1) Common

8,138

115,688

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401-K

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number or Derivative Securities Acquired (Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	A) or of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nu Sha
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.97	03/15/2016		A	177,000		03/15/2017(2)	03/15/2026	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	17
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.16						03/03/2016	03/03/2025	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	15
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.15						03/11/2015	03/11/2024	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	24
Employee Stock Option	\$ 2.39						05/14/2014	05/14/2023	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	22
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.74						03/08/2013	03/08/2022	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	10
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.72						03/15/2012	03/15/2021	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	30
Employee Stock Option	\$ 2.09						03/16/2014	03/16/2020	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	60
Employee Stock Option	\$ 1.75						10/05/2010	10/05/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	60

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Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.6	08/28/2011	08/28/2017	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.99	03/17/2003	03/17/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock

1:

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WENDEL STEPHEN T 18803 MEISNER DRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258

VP - Land and Contracts

Signatures

Stephen T. 03/28/2016 Wendel

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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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) 401-K shares acquired as a result of Abraxas Petroleum Corporations safe harbor match for calendar year 2014.
- (2) Options vest at 25% per year beginning one year from date of grant.

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