BERNS KENNETH N

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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 * BERNS KENNETH N			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC [PTEN]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify		
1801 CENTURY PARK EAST, SUITE 1111			05/06/2008	below) below) Senior Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
LOS ANGELES, CA 90067				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner.							y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie or Disposed o (Instr. 3, 4	ities Acquired (A) or d of (D) 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)
Stock, \$.01 par value per share (1)	05/06/2008		M	50,000	A	\$ 7.925	188,500	D	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share (1)	05/06/2008		M	83,600	A	\$ 13.195	272,100	D	
	05/06/2008		S	143,600	D		128,500	D	

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Common	\$
Stock,	30.7267
\$.01 par	<u>(2)</u>
value per	
share	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.925	05/06/2008		M	50,000	07/20/2006(3)	07/19/2011	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.195	05/06/2008		M	83,600	07/18/2005(3)	07/17/2012	Common Stock	83,600

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BERNS KENNETH N 1801 CENTURY PARK EAST SUITE 1111 LOS ANGELES, CA 90067	X		Senior Vice President					

Signatures

By Gregory W. Pipkin pursuant to a Limited Power of Attorney filed with the SEC on 5/8/2008. /s/Gregory W. Pipkin

05/08/2008

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**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Acquired upon exercise of option.
- (2) Weighted average price: Actual sales prices ranged from \$30.60 to \$31.175.
- (3) Currently vested.

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Date