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(Print or Type Responses)

1 Name and Address of Departing D

See Instruction

Stice Travis D.			g Person 2. Is Symb		ina frenci or fracing	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			Diar	mondback 1	Energy, Inc. [FANG]	(Check all applicable)				
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle) 3. Da	te of Earliest	Transaction					
500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 (Street) MIDLAND, TX 79701				nth/Day/Year) 6/2018	,	X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer				
				Amendment,	Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
				(Month/Day/Y	· ·					
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Fable I - Nor	n-Derivative Securities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	lly Owned		
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(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S	30,383	D	\$ 124.3591	367,688	I (2)	By Stice Investments, Ltd. (2)
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S	27,790	D	\$ 125.0633	339,898 (3)	I (2)	By Stice Investments, Ltd. (2)
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S	28,977	D	\$ 126.2022	310,921 (4)	I (2)	By Stice Investments, Ltd. (2)

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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									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	•	Title Number			
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Stice Travis D.

Chief Executive Officer 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 X

MIDLAND, TX 79701

Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for Travis D. 02/21/2018 Stice

> **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 \$123.76 per share to \$124.73 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 in footnotes 1, 3 and 4 of this Form 4.
- These securities are held by Stice Investments, Ltd., which is managed by Stice Management, LLC, its general partner. Mr. Stice and his spouse hold 100% of the membership interests in Stice Management, LLC, of which Mr. Stice is the manager.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$124.77 per share to \$125.76 per share, inclusive.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$125.78 per share to \$126.72 per share, inclusive.

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