

Jaques Wade E  
Form 4  
December 20, 2011

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Jaques Wade E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

410 17TH STREET, SUITE 1500

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. [BCEI]

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

12/19/2011

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 below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Controller

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/19/2011		P	1,000 A	\$ 12.79	2,150 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock <sup>(2)</sup>	12/20/2011		A	6,567 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>	8,567 <sup>(4)</sup>	D

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 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Jaques Wade E 410 17TH STREET SUITE 1500 DENVER, CO 80202			Controller	

## Signatures

Chris Humber as  
Attorney-in-Fact 12/20/2011

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes (i) 2,000 shares of common stock and (ii) 150 shares of Class B common stock subject to conversion as described below.  
Pursuant to the second amended and restated certificate of incorporation of the company, immediately prior to the December 20, 2011
- (2) closing of the company's initial public offering of common stock (the "Closing") and after the conversion of the Class B common stock as described in note (3), all of the shares of Class A common stock of the company were reclassified as common stock all of one class.
- (3) Shares resulting from the conversion of 150 shares of Class B common stock immediately prior to the Closing. Such shares are issued as restricted stock subject to a three-year vesting schedule with 1/3 of the shares vesting on each anniversary of the Closing.
- (4) Includes (i) 2,000 shares of common stock and (ii) 6,567 shares of common stock subject to the restrictions set forth in note (3).

### Remarks:

List of Exhibits: Exhibit 24 Power of Attorney

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