

PNM RESOURCES INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
STERBA JEFFRY E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ALVARADO SQUARE, MS 2824

(Street)

ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87158

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PNM RESOURCES INC [PNM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/11/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

CHAIRMAN AND CEO

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

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**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)   |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    | 12/11/2009                           |  | M                              | V Amount (A) or (D) Price \$<br>1,856 A 12.22<br><u>(1)</u>       | 197,139   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 9,675 <u>(2)</u>  | I  | PNM Common Stock Fund - PNM Resources, Inc. 401(k) Plan |

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. 3) |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V   | (A)  | (D)                        |
| Phantom Stock Shares                       | (1)  | 12/11/2009                           |  | M                              | 1,856   | (1)  | (1)   | Common Stock                               | 1,856                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                  |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer          | Other |
| STERBA JEFFRY E<br>ALVARADO SQUARE<br>MS 2824<br>ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87158 | X             |           | CHAIRMAN AND CEO |       |

## Signatures

Jim Acosta, POA for Jeffrey E. Sterba  
12/15/2009  
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\*\*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).

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- Each share of phantom stock converts into shares of common stock and was the economic equivalent thereof. The reporting person settled 1856 of his shares of phantom stock, which were held in the PNM Resources, Inc. Executive Savings Plan, for shares of the company's
- (1) common stock. The reporting person made such settlement pursuant to the one-time election that was available to participants in connection with the merger of the PNM Resources, Inc. Executive Savings Plan I with the PNM Resources, Inc. Executive Savings Plan II, which was completed in December 2008.
  - (2) Total represents shares of PNM Resources, Inc. Common Stock acquired under the PNM Resources, Inc. 401(k) Plan. Information is based on a plan statement dated 11/30/09.

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