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LANG JOHN DOUGLAS Symbol WHIT			ymbol	TING PETROLEUM CORP				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 1700 BROA	(First) (M DWAY, SUITE 2	fiddle) 3.	. Date of Ear Month/Day/Y 2/28/2011		nsaction			Director X Officer (give below) 		Owner r (specify	
	(Street)		. If Amendme Filed(Month/Date)		e Original			6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by C			
DENVER, C	CO 80290							Form filed by M Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I -	Non-De	rivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution I any	Date, if Tra Co y/Year) (In:	ansaction de str. 8)	4. Securit (A) or Di (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	sposed 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial	
Common Stock	02/28/2011		S			D	\$ 64.75	23,654 (2)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pric Deriva Securit (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2011 Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 60.285 (2)					<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2021	Common Stock	4,100 (2)	
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 34.31 (2)					<u>(1)</u>	01/26/2020	Common Stock	2,572 (2)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LANG JOHN DOUGLAS 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300 DENVER, CO 80290			Vice President				
Signatures							

/s/ Bruce R. DeBoer, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

02/28/2011

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).

Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity Incentive Plan.

- (1) The option vests and becomes exercisable as follows: 1/3 on 1st anniversary of the date of grant, 2/3 on 2nd anniversary of the date of grant and 3/3 on 3rd anniversary of the date of grant.
- (2) Adjusted to reflect the two-for-one split of Whiting Petroleum Corporation common stock distributed on February 22, 2011 to holders of record as of February 7, 2011.

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