

BAUTINA LESIA
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BAUTINA LESIA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CONTANGO OIL & GAS CO
[MCF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
3700 BUFFALO
SPEEDWAY, SUITE 960
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/23/2004

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Vice President & Controller

HOUSTON, TX 77057

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/23/2004		M		23,604	A	\$ 2.59
Common Stock	11/23/2004		F		7,642	D	\$ 8
							35,729
							28,087

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)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.59	11/23/2004		M	23,604	11/26/2003	11/26/2011	Common Stock	23,604

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BAUTINA LESIA
3700 BUFFALO SPEEDWAY
SUITE 960
HOUSTON, TX 77057

Vice
President &
Controller

Signatures

Lesia Bautina 11/24/2004

__Signature of Date
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) Reporting person engaged in a cashless exercise of stock options granted under the Issuer's Stock Incentive Plan exempt under 16b-3 using Contango's common stock already owned and having a value at the date of exercise of \$8 per share to pay the exercise price.

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