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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SHEFFIELD SCOTT D Issuer Symbol PIONEER NATURAL (Check all applicable) RESOURCES CO [PXD] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 5205 N. O'CONNOR BLVD., 08/12/2016 Chairman & CEO **SUITE 200** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **IRVING, TX 75039**

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner |
|--------|---------|-------|--|
|--------|---------|-------|--|

| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date | | 3. | 4. Securit | | • | 5. Amount of | 6. | 7. Nature of |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------|--|--------------------------------------|---|
| Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) | | | | Securities | Ownership | Indirect |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | Beneficially | Form: Direct | Beneficial |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common | | | | | | | (1) | | |
| Stock | | | | | | | $22,069 \frac{(1)}{}$ | I | 401(k) |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Common | | | | | | | 2,760 | I | by Spouse |
| Stock | | | | | | | 2,700 | 1 | by Spouse |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 20,000 | I | Family Trust (Officer Trustee) |
| Common | | | | | | | 20,000 | I | Family |
| Stock | | | | | | | | | Trust |
| | | | | | | | | | |

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| | | | | | | | | | (Spouse Trustee) |
|-----------------|------------|------|--------|----|---|--------------|---------|---|----------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 1,500 | I | SDS Trust 2016 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 1,500 | I | KYS Trust 2016 |
| Common Stock | 08/12/2016 | S(2) | 8,30 | 00 | D | \$ 174.92 | 613,568 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/12/2016 | S(3) | 9,0 | 58 | D | \$ 176 | 604,510 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/12/2016 | S(4) | 2,64 | 42 | D | \$ 176.52 | 601,868 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/15/2016 | G | V 6,00 | 00 | D | \$ 0 | 595,868 | 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) | 4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. DenNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | ate | Secur | ınt of rlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|---|--|
| | | | Code V | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHEFFIELD SCOTT D 5205 N. O'CONNOR BLVD., SUITE 200 Chairman & CEO

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Thomas J. Murphy, Attorney-in-Fact For Scott D. Sheffield

08/16/2016

**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) Consists of shares beneficially owned as a result of reporting person's ownership of units in the Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. 401(k)
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$174.44 to \$175.42. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person will provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$175.44 to \$176.42. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person will provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$176.47 to \$176.60. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person will provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

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