

Foutch Randy A  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 Foutch Randy A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc.  
 [LPI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 15 W. SIXTH STREET, SUITE 1800  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/10/2012

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

TULSA, OK 74119

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |   |                                     |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|---|-------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |   |   |                                     |
| Common Stock                    | 09/10/2012                           |  | S                              | 19,433  | D   | 22.55<br><u>(1)</u>                                      | 538,524   | D |                                     |
| Common Stock                    | 09/11/2012                           |  | S                              | 30,567  | D   | 22.25<br><u>(2)</u>                                      | 507,957   | D |                                     |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 100,037   | I | By Foutch Family Trust A <u>(3)</u> |
| Common                          |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 100,037   | I | By Foutch                           |

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|--------------|---------|---|--|---|
| Stock        |         |   |  | Family Trust B <sup>(3)</sup>           |
| Common Stock | 100,037 | I |  | By Foutch Family Trust C <sup>(3)</sup> |
| Common Stock | 100,037 | I |  | By Foutch Family Trust D <sup>(3)</sup> |
| Common Stock | 500     | I |  | By Daughter <sup>(3)</sup>              |
| Common Stock | 529,989 | I |  | By Lariat Ranch LLC <sup>(3)</sup>      |

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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | 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 |
| Foutch Randy A<br>15 W. SIXTH STREET, SUITE 1800<br>TULSA, OK 74119 | X             |           | Chairman and CEO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Kenneth E. Dornblaser, as attorney-in-fact for Randy A.  
Foutch

09/12/2012

\_\_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) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$22.51 to \$22.84, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc. ("Laredo"), any security holder of Laredo, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (1) and (2) to this Form 4.

(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$22.00 to \$22.73, inclusive.

(3) By reason of the provisions of Rule 16a-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), Mr. Foutch may be deemed to be a beneficial owner of the 400,148 shares of common stock of the Issuer held by the Foutch Family Trusts, the 500 shares of common stock of the Issuer held by his daughter and the 529,989 shares of common stock held by Lariat Ranch LLC. Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4) of the Exchange Act, Mr. Foutch herein states that this Form 4 shall not be deemed an admission that he is the beneficial owner of such shares of common stock. Mr. Foutch disclaims beneficial ownership of the common stock of the Issuer, except to the extent that he has a pecuniary interest in such shares of common stock.

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