

Steinhauser James Christian
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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 *
 Steinhauser James Christian

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GEOPETRO RESOURCES CO
 [gpr]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 13 SWANSEA LANE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/27/2009

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

PLEASANT HILL, CA 94523

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)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An Nu Sh
employee stock optin (right to buy)	\$ 2.1	04/27/2009	D ⁽¹⁾		150,000		⁽¹⁾	05/12/2013	common stock	15
employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 1	04/27/2009	A ⁽¹⁾		150,000		⁽¹⁾	05/12/2013	common stock	15

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Steinhauser James Christian 13 SWANSEA LANE PLEASANT HILL, CA 94523	X		chief financial officer	

Signatures

j. chris
steinhauser 04/30/2009
 __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) The two reported transactions involved an amendment of an outstanding option, resulting in the deemed cancellation of the "old" option and the grant of a replacement option. The option was originally granted on May 13, 2003 and provides for vesting in five equal annual installments commencing on May 12, 2004

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