Dornblaser Kenneth E Form 4 February 21, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

See Instruction

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Dornblaser Kenneth E | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Laredo Petroleum, Inc. [LPI] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|----------|----------|---|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) | Director 10% Owner | | | |
| 15 W. SIXTH STREET, SUITE 900 | | | 02/16/2018 | _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP & General Counsel | | | |
| | (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 | | | |
| TULSA, OK 74119 | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | |

| (City) | (State) (| (Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative S | Securi | ties Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|------------------|--------|---|---|------------------|----------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or | | | 5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 02/16/2018 | | Code V F | Amount 2,916 (1) | (D) | Price \$ 0 | 152,443 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/16/2018 | | A | 67,935 (2) | A | \$ 8.36 | 220,378 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/16/2018 | | A | 25,966 (3) | A | \$ 8.36 | 246,344 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/16/2018 | | F | 6,544 (1) | D | \$0 | 239,800 | D | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

| 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. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed or (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|----------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | An or Nu of |
| Performance Units | <u>(4)</u> | 02/16/2018(4) | | A | 67,935 | 02/16/2021 | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | 67 |
| Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 14.12 | | | | | 02/17/2018(5) | 02/17/2027 | Common Stock | 29 |
| Performance Units | <u>6</u> | | | | | 02/17/2020 | <u>(6)</u> | Common Stock | 38 |
| Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 4.1 | | | | | 02/19/2017(5) | 02/19/2026 | Common Stock | 77 |
| Performance Units | <u>(7)</u> | | | | | 02/19/2019 | <u>(7)</u> | Common Stock | 97 |
| Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 11.93 | | | | | 02/27/2016(5) | 02/27/2025 | Common Stock | 41 |
| Performance Units | (8) | | | | | 02/27/2018 | (8) | Common Stock | 4(|
| Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 25.6 | | | | | 02/27/2015(5) | 02/27/2024 | Common Stock | 24 |
| Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 17.34 | | | | | 02/15/2014(5) | 02/15/2023 | Common Stock | 26 |
| Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 24.11 | | | | | 02/03/2013(5) | 02/03/2022 | Common Stock | 13 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Dornblaser Kenneth E Sr. VP & 15 W. SIXTH STREET, SUITE 900 General TULSA, OK 74119 Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Kenneth E.
Dornblaser
02/21/2018

**Signature of Reporting Date
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).
- Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligations of the Reporting Persons in connection with the vesting of a portion of restricted shares previously granted to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's Omnibus Equity Incentive
- (2) These restricted shares are granted under the Issuer's Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant.
- (3) These restricted shares are granted under the Issuer's Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and will vest one year after the date of the grant.
 - These performance share units are granted under the Issuer's Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan. Each performance share unit represents a share of common stock. The performance share units will be payable, if at all, in common stock, based upon the Issuer's total shareholders
- (4) return measured (i) against an industry peer group, (ii) on an absolute share return basis and (iii) based on a return on average capital employed metric, over a three year performance period ending December 31, 2020. The final number of shares of common stock granted can range from 0% to 200% of the performance share units.
- (5) This stock option was granted under the Issuer's Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and is exercisable as to 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of the grant.
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