PDC ENERGY, INC.

Form 4 January 07, 2016

FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SWOVELAND JEFFREY C

(First)

(Middle)

(Street)

1775 SHERMAN STREET, #3000

DENVER, CO 80203

Symbol

PDC ENERGY, INC. [PDCE]

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

01/05/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

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X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title __X_ Other (specify

below) Non-Executive Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(City) (State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if

3. (Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. TransactionNumber Code of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
PHANTOM STOCK	<u>(1)</u>	01/05/2016		A	90	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	COMMON STOCK	90	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
rioporting of their reality realities	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SWOVELAND JEFFREY C 1775 SHERMAN STREET, #3000 DENVER, CO 80203	X			Non-Executive Chairman			

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey C.
Swoveland

**Signature of Reporting 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).

The shares were acquired by the trustee for \$53.54 per share pursuant to PDC's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan.

Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. The shares of phantom stock are held in a rabbi trust and become payable in cash or common stock, at the election of the reporting person, upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director.

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