

CIMAREX ENERGY CO  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MERELLI F H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80203-4518

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/07/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	12/07/2006		P		300 A \$ 37.6	345,600 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock	12/07/2006		P		2,000 A \$ 37.65	347,600 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock	12/07/2006		P		2,000 A \$ 37.8	349,600 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock	12/07/2006		P		1,000 A \$ 37.9	350,600 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock	12/08/2006		P		4,000 A \$ 37.5	354,600 <sup>(1)</sup>	D

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Common Stock	12/08/2006	P	1,000	A	\$ 37.55	355,600 <sup>(1)</sup>	D		
Common Stock	12/08/2006	P	2,700	A	\$ 37.6	358,300 <sup>(1)</sup>	D		
Common Stock	12/08/2006	P	1,000	A	\$ 37.65	359,300 <sup>(1)</sup>	D		
Common Stock	12/08/2006	P	3,000	A	\$ 37.7	362,300 <sup>(1)</sup>	D		
Common Stock	12/08/2006	P	2,000	A	\$ 37.8	364,300 <sup>(1)</sup>	D		
Common Stock	12/08/2006	P	2,000	A	\$ 37.9	366,300 <sup>(1)</sup>	D		
Common Stock						12,346	I		By 401(k)
Common Stock						152,300	I		By IRA

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 Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

MERELLI F H  
1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800      X      Chairman, CEO, President  
DENVER, CO 80203-4518

## Signatures

Paul Korus,  
attorney-in-fact      12/11/2006

\_\_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).

Includes 211,200 stock units that vest in five equal annual installments beginning on December 6, 2003 and become payable in shares of (1) common stock on December 6, 2010. Also includes 60,000 shares of restricted stock that vest on January 3, 2009 and are subject to certain performance criteria.

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