Darnell Ronald N. Form 4 March 15, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

OMB Number:

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Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Darnell Ronald N.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PNM RESOURCES INC [PNM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(Instr. 3)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

ALVARADO SQUARE, MS 0920

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

03/14/2012

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

below) SR. VP, PUBLIC POLICY

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87158

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price 1,870 \$ S D

Common 03/14/2012 Stock

14,759 18.42

D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

(1)

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8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)

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. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and a Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	<u>(2)</u>					(3)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	3,434

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Darnell Ronald N. ALVARADO SQUARE MS 0920 ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87158

SR. VP, PUBLIC POLICY

Signatures

RONALD N. 03/15/2012 DARNELL

**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).
- (1) The stock was sold for the purpose of providing a source of funds for payment of tax liability relating to the vesting of equity awards received under the Omnibus Performance Equity Plan.
- (2) Based on the closing price on the date of the grant.
- (3) The options vest in three equal annual installments from grant date of issuance.
- (4) The options expire 10 years from grant date.

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