

ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP
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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 *
BILLINGSLEY LEE T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP
 [ABP]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
500 N LOOP 1604 E
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/28/2007

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Vice President - Exploration

SAN ANTONIO, TX 78232

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Abraxas Petroleum Corporation Common Stock	08/28/2007		A		5,514	A	\$ 0 83,454
Abraxas Petroleum Corporation Common Stock					2,500	I	Retirement Account
Abraxas Petroleum Corporation Common Stock					13,459	I	401(K) Plan

Corporation
Common
Stock

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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)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options	\$ 3.6	08/28/2007		A	16,543	⁽¹⁾ 08/28/2017	Abraxas Petroleum Corporation Common Stock	16,543

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BILLINGSLEY LEE T 500 N LOOP 1604 E SAN ANTONIO, TX 78232			Vice President - Exploration	

Signatures

Lee T.
Billingsley 08/30/2007

**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).
- (1) The options vest in 25% increments each year for four years. with the first increment vesting on 8/28/2008.

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