

CALLON FRED L
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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 *
 CALLON FRED L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CALLON PETROLEUM CO [CPE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 200 NORTH CANAL STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/19/2008

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

NATCHEZ, MS 391203212
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/19/2008	11/19/2008	S	V	136,000 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$ 4.45 ⁽²⁾
Common Stock						I	12,096 ⁽³⁾
Common Stock						I	92,170
Common Stock						I	24,904

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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
2004 Performance Shares	\$ 13.82					05/05/2005 ⁽⁴⁾	07/14/2014	Common Stock	8,600
2006 Performance Shares	\$ 15.83					08/21/2006	08/21/2010	Common Stock	20,000
2008 Performance Stock Award	\$ 0 ⁽⁵⁾					⁽⁵⁾	⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock	23,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.5					09/23/2000	03/23/2010	Common Stock	110,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.5					01/13/2003	07/12/2012	Common Stock	18,750
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.7					02/24/2003	08/23/2012	Common Stock	12,625

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CALLON FRED L 200 NORTH CANAL STREET	X		Chairman, President,	

NATCHEZ, MS 391203212

CEO

Signatures

By: Robert A. Mayfield as
Attorney-in-fact for

11/21/2008

__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) Involuntary sale as a result of a margin call by the reporting person's broker.

This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$4.20 to \$5.25. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

The number of shares reported is calculated by dividing the total market value of the reporting person's account balance within the Callon Petroleum Company Employee Savings and Protection Plan (401(k) Plan) on the day prior to this Form 4 reporting date by the closing market price per share on that day.

(4) Performance Stock awarded July 14, 2004. These shares vest in five equal annual installments beginning on July 14, 2005.

The number of shares awarded is conditioned based on the achievement of a specified performance target, based upon the price of Callon's stock, to be calculated on December 31, 2010. If the performance target is achieved, vesting with respect to the awarded shares will occur on 04/18/2011, the third anniversary following the award date.

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