

CIMAREX ENERGY CO

Form 4

December 13, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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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)
12/11/2006

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
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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	12/11/2006		P		900	A	\$ 37.1	367,200 <u>(1)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/11/2006		P		5,000	A	\$ 37.2	372,200 <u>(1)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/11/2006		P		4,000	A	\$ 37.3	376,200 <u>(1)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/11/2006		P		5,000	A	\$ 37.35	381,200 <u>(1)</u>	D
Common Stock	12/11/2006		P		6,000	A	\$ 37.36	387,200 <u>(1)</u>	D

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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 Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MERELLI F H 1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800 DENVER, CO 80203-4518	X Chairman, CEO, President

Signatures

Paul Korus,
attorney-in-fact
12/13/2006
**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).
- (1) Includes 211,200 stock units that vest in five equal annual installments beginning on December 6, 2003 and become payable in shares of common stock on December 6, 2010. Also includes 60,000 shares of restricted stock that vest on January 3, 2009 and are subject to

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certain performance criteria.

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