

HINCHMAN STEVEN B
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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 *
HINCHMAN STEVEN B

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

NATCHEZ, MS 391203212

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 06/01/2009

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)
 Exec. VP and COO

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 06/01/2009 | 06/01/2009 | A | 100,000 (1) | \$ 0 | 100,000 | D |

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)

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| 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|-----------------|--------------|------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am Nur Sha |
| 2009 Performance Shares | (2) | 06/01/2009 | 06/01/2009 | A | V | 100,000 (2) | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 10 |
| 2009 Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 2.75 | 06/01/2009 | 06/01/2009 | A | V | 500,000 (3) | | 12/01/2009 | 06/01/2019 | Common Stock | 50 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HINCHMAN STEVEN B 200 NORTH CANAL STREET NATCHEZ, MS 391203212 | | | Exec. VP and COO | |

Signatures

By: Robert A. Mayfield as Attorney-in-fact for 06/01/2009

__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) 100% vesting on June 1, 2013, the fourth anniversary following the award date, assuming continued employment.
- (2) Shares will vest 0-150% based on performance as measured against a select peer group of companies during the period June 1, 2009 through June 1, 2012.
- (3) Vesting in three equal increments when the issuer's common stock price closes on the NYSE above \$5.00, \$10.00, and \$15.00 for twenty (20) consecutive trading days, respectively.

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