#### Conlon Michael W Form 3 September 21, 2012 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB APPROVAL FORM 3 Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB Number:

### **INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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### (Print or Type Responses)

ing 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC [PTEN]				
Middle) 09/19/2012	4. Relationship of Rep Person(s) to Issuer	porting	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
TE 500	(Check all appl X Director	licable) 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		
7	Officer (give title below) (spec	_ Other cify below)	_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
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#### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security  2. Date Exercisable and    (Instr. 4)  Expiration Date    (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)		Securities Underlying		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	(Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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Shares

(I) (Instr. 5)

# **Reporting Owners**

<b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Conlon Michael W 450 GEARS ROAD, SUITE 500 HOUSTON, TX 77067	X	Â	Â	Â		

## Signatures

By Barry Huntsman pursuant to a limited power of attorney filed with the SEC on 09/21/2012. /s/Barry Huntsman 09/21/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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