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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Womble W Mark					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc. [LPI]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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(Last)	Last) (First) (Middle)					Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)								X	Office belov	er (give title v)	Other below	(specify)
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15 W. SIXTH STREET, SUITE 1800																		
(Street)					4. If	Amen	dment,	Date o	of Origina	al File	d (Month/Da	ıy/Year)		6. Indi	/idual o	r Joint/Group	Filing (Check A	Applicable
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		Tabl	e I - No	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired	, Dis	sposed o	f, or E	Benef	icially	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day				Execution Date,				es Acquired (A) o Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			Secur Benef Owne	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Pric		ice	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 08/15/2				2012	012		S		25,000	000 D \$2		22.22(1)	9	9,569	D			
Common Stock 08/16/2			2012	012		S ⁽²⁾		5,000	D \$2		22.43	94,569		D				
	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. Deer Execution if any (Month/I	on Date,		ransaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Exerci on Da Day/Y		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst and 4)		Deri Sec (Ins	vative urity ir. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er				

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$22.00 to \$22.35, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc. ("Laredo"), any security holder of Laredo, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- 2. This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 18, 2012.

/s/ Kenneth E. Dornblaser, as attorney-in-fact for W. Mark

08/17/2012

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** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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