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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Minton John E</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc. [LPI]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Sr. V.P.-Reservoir Engineering</u>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/03/2012</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
<u>15 W. SIXTH STREET SUITE 1800</u>			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
<u>TULSA OK 74119</u>								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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			
<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>02/03/2012</u>		<u>A</u>		<u>6,474⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>111,087</u>	<u>D</u>	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
<u>Stock Option (Right to buy)</u>	<u>\$24.11</u>	<u>02/03/2012</u>		<u>A</u>		<u>12,806</u>		<u>02/03/2013</u>	<u>02/03/2022</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>12,806</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>12,806</u>	<u>D</u>	
<u>Performance Units</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>02/03/2012</u>		<u>A</u>		<u>2,750</u>		<u>12/31/2014⁽³⁾</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>2,750</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>2,750</u>	<u>D</u>	

Explanation of Responses:

- These restricted shares are granted under the Issuer's 2011 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant.
- This stock option is granted under the Issuer's 2011 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and is exercisable as to 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of the grant.
- These performance units are granted under the Issuer's 2011 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan. Each performance unit has a value of \$100. The performance units will be payable, if at all, in cash, based upon the Issuer's total shareholder return measured against an industry peer group, over a three year performance period ending December 31, 2014. The final value of the performance units granted can range from 0% to 200% of the target value.

/s/ Kenneth E. Dornblaser, as attorney-in-fact for John E. Minton 02/07/2012

** 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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