FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Parker Billy Zane						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc.</u> [LPI]									heck al	nship of Reportir I applicable) Director		Issuer Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 15 W. SIXTH STREET, SUITE 1800						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/19/2011										Officer (give title pelow)	Oth belo	er (specify w)	
(Street) TULSA (City)	OF		74119 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) X	ral or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 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. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed O Code (Instr. 5)			ties Acquired (A) I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			nd So	Amount of ecurities eneficially wned Following eported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect		
									Code	v	Amount (/		A) or D)	Price	Tr	ansaction(s) nstr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)	
Common Stock 12/19				9/2011	2011		J ⁽¹⁾		63,324		A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	(1)	63,324	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) (Month/Day/Year) 3.A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Year)		Date, y/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiration (Month/D	Date Expiration Date Expiration Date Expiration Date Expiration Expiration Date Date Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amount or Numbe of Title Shares		8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. §	ive derivative y Securities	Ownersh Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares were received in connection with a corporate reorganization completed prior to the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering described in the prospectus dated December 14, 2011, in which Laredo Petroleum, LLC ("Laredo LLC.") merged with the Issuer, with the Issuer being the surviving entity. In accordance with the limited liability company agreement of Laredo LLC, the reporting person received common stock of the Issuer in exchange for his vested and unvested units in Laredo LLC. The number of shares that the reporting person received was based on the value that the reporting person would have received under the distribution provisions of the Laredo LLC agreement upon a liquidation of Laredo LLC at a liquidation value determined by reference to the initial offering price. To the extent any such units were subject to vesting requirements, the common stock issued in exchange therefor is also subject to such requirements.

/s/ Kenneth E. Dornblaser, as attorney-in-fact for Bill Z.

Parker

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

12/21/2011

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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