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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)
ý Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the Quarterly Period ended September 30, 2018
or
o Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the transition period from ______ to _____
Commission File No. 001-31446
CIMAREX ENERGY CO.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)45-0466694Delaware45-0466694(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1700 Lincoln Street, Suite 3700, Denver, Colorado80203(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

(303) 295-3995 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes \circ No o Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes \circ No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Large accelerated filer ý Accelerated filer o Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes o No ý

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The number of shares of Cimarex Energy Co. common stock outstanding as of October 31, 2018 was 95,602,883.

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GLOSSARY

Bbls—Barrels Bcf—Billion cubic feet BOE—Barrels of oil equivalent Gross Wells—The total wells in which a working interest is owned. MBbls—Thousand barrels MBOE—Thousand barrels of oil equivalent Mcf—Thousand cubic feet MMBtu—Million British thermal units MMcf—Million cubic feet Net Wells—The sum of the fractional working interest owned in gross wells expressed in whole numbers and fractions of whole numbers.

NGL or NGLs—Natural gas liquids

Energy equivalent is determined using the ratio of one barrel of crude oil, condensate, or NGL to six Mcf of natural gas.

CAUTIONARY INFORMATION ABOUT FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Throughout this Form 10-Q, we make statements that may be deemed "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These forward-looking statements include, among others, statements concerning our outlook with regard to timing and amount of future production of oil and gas, price realizations, amounts, nature and timing of capital expenditures for exploration and development, plans for funding operations and capital expenditures, drilling of wells, operating costs and other expenses, marketing of oil, gas, and NGLs and other statements of expectations, beliefs, future plans and strategies, anticipated events or trends, and similar expressions concerning matters that are not historical facts. The forward-looking statements in this report are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in or implied by the statements.

These risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, fluctuations in the price we receive for our oil and gas production, full cost ceiling test impairments to the carrying values of our oil and gas properties, reductions in the quantity of, and price received for, oil and gas sold due to decreased industry-wide demand and/or curtailments in production from specific properties or areas due to mechanical, transportation, marketing, weather or other problems, operating and capital expenditures that are either significantly higher or lower than anticipated because the actual cost of identified projects varied from original estimates and/or from the number of exploration and development opportunities being greater or fewer than currently anticipated, increased financing costs due to a significant increase in interest rates, availability of financing, and the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting and our ability to remediate a material weakness in our internal control over financial reporting. In addition, exploration and development opportunities that we pursue may not result in economic, productive oil and gas properties. There are also numerous uncertainties inherent in estimating quantities of proved reserves, projecting future rates of production and the timing of development expenditures. These and other risks and uncertainties affecting us are discussed in greater detail in this report and in our other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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PART I ITEM 1. - Financial Statements CIMAREX ENERGY CO. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (in thousands, except share and per share information) (Unaudited)

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Assets Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$863,946	\$400,534
Accounts receivable, net of allowance:	\$605,740	φ+00,55+
Trade	112,884	100,356
Oil and gas sales	346,380	344,552
Gas gathering, processing, and marketing	12,159	15,266
Oil and gas well equipment and supplies	55,546	49,722
Derivative instruments	31,176	15,151
Prepaid expenses	4,133	8,518
Other current assets	1,491	1,536
Total current assets	1,427,715	935,635
Oil and gas properties at cost, using the full cost method of accounting:		
Proved properties	18,047,645	17,513,460
Unproved properties and properties under development, not being amortized	564,982	476,903
	18,612,627	17,990,363
Less—accumulated depreciation, depletion, amortization, and impairment		(14,748,833)
Net oil and gas properties	3,488,516	3,241,530
Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation of \$324,270 and \$290,114, respectively	244,125	210,922
Goodwill	620,232	620,232
Derivative instruments	154	2,086
Other assets	37,693 \$5,919,425	32,234
Lickilities and Stackholdows' Equity	\$5,818,435	\$5,042,639
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable:		
Trade	\$118,104	\$68,883
Gas gathering, processing, and marketing	23,322	29,503
Accrued liabilities:	23,322	27,505
Exploration and development	154,783	115,762
Taxes other than income	35,044	23,687
Other	222,920	212,400
Derivative instruments	97,480	42,066
Revenue payable	193,692	187,273
Total current liabilities	845,345	679,574
Long-term debt:		
Principal	1,500,000	1,500,000
Less-unamortized debt issuance costs and discount	(11,853)) (13,080)
Long-term debt, net	1,488,147	1,486,920

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Deferred income taxes	244,592	101,618
Asset retirement obligation	151,868	158,421
Derivative instruments	14,076	4,268
Other liabilities	48,585	43,560
Total liabilities	2,792,613	2,474,361
Commitments and contingencies (Note 10)		
Stockholders' equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 15,000,000 shares authorized, no shares issued	—	
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, 200,000,000 shares authorized, 95,602,550 and 95,437,434 shares issued, respectively	956	