

Diamondback Energy, Inc.  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Hollis Michael L.

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200  
 (Street)

MIDLAND, TX 79701

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/12/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 VP Drilling

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	09/12/2014		M	8,572 A	25,919 (1) (2)	D	

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	09/12/2014		M	8,572 (3)	(3) (3)	Common Stock	8,572

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hollis Michael L. 500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200 MIDLAND, TX 79701			VP Drilling	

## Signatures

/s/ Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for Michael Hollis  
 09/16/2014  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.  
 This number includes 14,422 restricted stock units that have not yet vested and settled, which were previously reported on Table II. Of these 14,422 restricted stock units, 8,572 will vest on September 12, 2015, and 5,850 restricted stock units will vest in two equal annual installments beginning on January 2, 2015. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of the issuer, par value \$0.01 per share.
- (3) On October 11, 2012, the reporting person was granted 34,287 restricted stock units, of which 17,143 have previously vested and settled and 8,572 restricted stock units vested and settled on September 12, 2014. The remaining 8,572 restricted stock units will vest on September 12, 2015.
- (4) The reporting person has 14,422 restricted stock units that have not yet vested and settled. These restricted stock units have been moved to Table I and are not reported under Table II.

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