

Prue Nancy J F  
Form 4  
July 26, 2012

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Prue Nancy J F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

PETROLEUM & RESOURCES  
CORPORATION, 7 SAINT PAUL  
STREET

(Street)

BALTIMORE, MD 21202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
ADAMS EXPRESS CO [ADX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
07/25/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ 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. 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)
Common Stock	07/25/2012		S	2,000	D	\$ 26,466.348 (1)	10.58

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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Prue Nancy J F PETROLEUM & RESOURCES CORPORATION 7 SAINT PAUL STREET BALTIMORE, MD 21202	Executive Vice President

## Signatures

Nancy J. F. Prue 07/26/2012

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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Of these shares, 10,249.278 are held by the undersigned directly and include 25.574 shares that were acquired in exempt transactions as a result of dividend reinvestment from January 1, 2012 to July 25, 2012. In addition, 7,119.36 of these shares are held indirectly by the undersigned's proportionate beneficial interest in such stock held in the Issuer's Thrift Plan Trust, and 9097.71 are held by Petroleum &

- (1) Resources Corporation Thrift Plan Trust. Such number is based on information as of July 25, 2012. This number reflects periodic contributions made during 2012, shares acquired by the Trustee through dividend reinvestment in 2012, and changes in the number of shares previously reported due to fluctuations in the market price and interest in the Trusts. The Issuer's stock traded in a range of \$9.79 - \$11.11 during that period.

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