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(Print or Type Responses)						
1. Name and Address of Reporting P HERALD CHRISTOPHER E	Symbol SOLITA	r Name and Ticker or T ARIO EXPLORATI LTY CORP. [XPL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (M 4251 KIPLING ST SUITE 39	(Month/D	f Earliest Transaction Day/Year) 2012		X Director X Officer (give t below) Presi		Owner r (specify
(Street) WHEAT RIDGE, CO 80033		endment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joi Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Ou Form filed by Mo Person	ne Reporting Per	rson
	Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-Derivative Se	ecurities Acqu		or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securitie Transaction(A) or Disp Code (Instr. 3, 4 a (Instr. 8)	s Acquired losed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect
Common 06/26/2012 Stock	06/26/2012	P 180,000	A \$ 1.22	1,006,962	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	ate	Under Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Addres	s	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
HERALD CHRISTOPHER E 4251 KIPLING ST SUITE 390 WHEAT RIDGE, CO 80033	0 X		President & CEO					
Signatures								
/s/ Christopher E. Herald	06/28/2012							
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person	Date							

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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