

Minton John E
Form 4
February 07, 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
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Minton John E

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc.
[LPI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
15 W. SIXTH STREET, SUITE
1800

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/03/2012

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Sr. V.P.-Reservoir Engineering

(Street)
TULSA, OK 74119

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V	Amount (1)	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/03/2012		A		6,474	A	111,087

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 24.11	02/03/2012		A	12,806	02/03/2013 02/03/2022	Common Stock
Performance Units	(3)	02/03/2012		A	2,750	12/31/2014(3) (3)	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Minton John E 15 W. SIXTH STREET SUITE 1800 TULSA, OK 74119	Sr. V.P.-Reservoir Engineering

Signatures

/s/ Kenneth E. Dornblaser, as attorney-in-fact for John E.
Minton

02/07/2012

__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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(1) These restricted shares are granted under the Issuer's 2011 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary date of the grant.

(2) This stock option is granted under the Issuer's 2011 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and is exercisable as to 25% on each of the first four anniversaries of the date of the grant.

(3) These performance units are granted under the Issuer's 2011 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan. Each performance unit has a value of \$100. The performance units will be payable, if at all, in cash, based upon the Issuer's total shareholder return measured against an industry peer group, over a three year performance period ending December 31, 2014. The final value of the performance units granted can range from 0% to 200% of the target value.

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