**KORUS PAUL** Form 4 January 13, 2012

### FORM 4

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Section 16.

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

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **KORUS PAUL** Issuer Symbol CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 01/12/2012 below) 1800 Sr Vice Pres, CFO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

#### DENVER, CO 80203

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price 8,500 Common \$ 01/12/2012 S D 158,466 D (1) Stock 60.7582

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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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KORUS PAUL 1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 1800 DENVER, CO 80203

Sr Vice Pres, CFO

# **Signatures**

Thomas A

Richardson 01/13/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations, See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

The price reported in Column 4 for January 12, 2012 sales is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$60.62 to \$61.19, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Cimarex Energy Co., any security holder of Cimarex Energy Co. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

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- (1) Transacted under a 10b5-1 plan that was adopted on November 18, 2010.
- The price in column 4 is a weighted average. The prices actually received ranged from \$31.00 to \$31.27. For all transactions reported in (2) this Form 4 utilizing a weighted average price, the reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range

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109,966 of the options reported above have vested and are immediately exercisable. The remaining options vest June 19, 2011, subject to the Reporting Person being employed by the Company or its affiliates or subsidiaries on the vesting date.

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