

Starzer Michael R
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Starzer Michael R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BONANZA CREEK ENERGY,
INC., 410 17TH STREET, SUITE
1400

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. [BCEI]

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

03/28/2013

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)

President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ 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 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	03/28/2013		A		24,910	A \$ 0	391,957 ⁽¹⁾ D
Common Stock						1,602,753 ⁽²⁾	I By Bonanza Creek Oil Company, LLC
Common Stock						98,067	I By the Starzer Revocable Trust

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

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(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)	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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Shares	(3)	03/28/2013		A		8,303		(3)	12/31/2015	Common Stock	8,303

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Starzer Michael R C/O BONANZA CREEK ENERGY, INC. 410 17TH STREET, SUITE 1400 DENVER, CO 80202	X President & CEO

Signatures

/s/ Christopher I. Humber as
Attorney-in-Fact

03/29/2013

__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) Includes (i) 290,923 shares of common stock and (ii) 101,034 shares of restricted common stock subject to vesting.
- (2) 1,602,753 shares of common stock held by Bonanza Creek Oil Company, LLC ("BCOC"), for which Mr. Starzer serves as a co-manager. Mr. Starzer disclaims beneficial ownership of shares of the BCOC in which he does not have a pecuniary interest.

- Each performance share represents a contingent right to receive 0-200% of that number of shares of common stock. The amount listed
- (3) represents what the Reporting Person would receive at the target or 100% level. The performance shares vest upon continued employment and achievement of certain predetermined performance goals.

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