FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington,	D.C.	20549
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STATEMENT	OF CHANGES IN	N BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Parker Billy Zane				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc.</u> [LPI]								5. Relationshi (Check all app X Direct		licable)	g Person	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 15 W. SIXTH STREET					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2012										Office	er (give title v)		Other (specify below)		
SUITE 1 (Street) TULSA	008 OF	ζ 7	⁷ 4119		4. If	Amen	dment,	Date o	of Origin	nal File	ed (Month/Da	ay/Yeai)		Indivi ne) X	Form	r Joint/Group n filed by One n filed by Mon	e Reportir	ng Pers	on
(City)	(St	ate) (.	Zip)		-											Pers	on			
		Tabl	e I - N	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or	Ben	eficia	ally C	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transactic Date (Month/Day/					Execution Date,					s Acquired (A) or If (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar			nd 5) Secui Bene		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		or	Price	Trans		action(s) 3 and 4)			(1130.4)	
Common Stock 05/16/20				.012			A		12,440(1)		A	\$21.2	1.24(1)		75,764					
	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 2. Conversion of Exercise (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)		on Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Nur of Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. and 5	ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	Expiration (Month/Dates led sed 3, 4			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Number of Title Shares		nstr. 3	t r		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owner Form Direct or Inc (I) (In		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. These restricted shares are granted under the Issuer's 2011 Omnibus Equity Incentive Plan and include restricted shares issued in lieu of cash payments for director fees at the election of the director, an annual stock grant and committee chair fees.

> /s/ Kenneth E. Dornblaser, as attorney-in-fact for Bill Z. **Parker**

** Signature of Reporting Person

05/18/2012

Date

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

- * 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).

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