

STABIO VICTOR P
Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STABIO VICTOR P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HALLADOR PETROLEUM CO
[HPCO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1660 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 2700
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/08/2004

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President and CEO

DENVER, CO 80264

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---|--|
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|----------------------|------------------|---|------------------|------------------|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 1 | 10/08/2004 | J ⁽¹⁾ | 545,000 | 01/04/1996 | 12/31/2006 | | | | | | | Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 0 ⁽¹⁾ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| STABIO VICTOR P 1660 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 2700 DENVER, CO 80264 | X | | President and CEO | |

Signatures

Victor P. Stabio 10/12/2004
 __Signature of Date
 Reporting Person

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) Under the approval of the Board of Directors, the Company acquired the in-the-money options at a price, set by the Board, of \$2.80/option. The Company netted out the options to Mr. Stabio and other employees.

Remarks:

The value of the Hallador Petroleum Company common stock was determined by the Board, mostly from the \$20.3 million in
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