

Yuma Energy, Inc.
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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 *
MORRIS BENJAMIN T

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SANDERS HARRIS MORRIS
INC, 600 TRAVIS #5900

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Yuma Energy, Inc. [YUMA]

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

09/10/2014

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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 | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 09/10/2014 | | A | | 118,843 | A | (1) 118,843 |
| Common Stock | 09/10/2014 | | A | | 41,950 | A | (2) 160,793 |
| Common Stock | 09/10/2014 | | A | | 8,330 | A | (3) (4) 169,123 |

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 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MORRIS BENJAMIN T C/O SANDERS HARRIS MORRIS INC 600 TRAVIS #5900 HOUSTON, TX 77002 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Ben T. Morris 09/22/2014

**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).
- Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization, dated as of August 1, 2014 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among Yuma Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Old Yuma"), Pyramid Oil Company, a California corporation
- (1) ("New Yuma"), Pyramid Delaware Merger Subsidiary, Inc., and Pyramid Merger Subsidiary, Inc. ("Merger Sub"), Merger Sub merged with and into Old Yuma (the "Merger"). Upon the effective time of the Merger, each share of Series A Preferred Stock of Old Yuma was cancelled and exchanged for 914.18 shares of New Yuma common stock.
 - (2) Upon the effective time of the Merger, each share of Series B Preferred Stock of Old Yuma was cancelled and exchanged for 384.87 shares of New Yuma common stock.
 - (3) Outstanding Old Yuma restricted stock awards were assumed by New Yuma pursuant to the Merger Agreement and replaced with New Yuma restricted stock awards. Each share of Old Yuma restricted stock was exchanged for approximately 757.34 shares of New Yuma restricted stock.
 - (4) The New Yuma restricted stock award vests on April 1, 2015.

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