LORIMER R SCOTT

Form 4

January 12, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

877 N 8TH ST W

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LORIMER R SCOTT

(First)

(Street)

(State)

01/12/2012

(Middle)

(Zip)

Symbol

US ENERGY CORP [USEG]

01/12/2012

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

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

 $A^{(1)}$

Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

Applicable Line)

X Director

X 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

Issuer

RIVERTON, WY 82501

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

8,494

(A)

106,080 2.91

 $I^{(2)}$

By Esop

Common Stock

Stock

Common

504,994 D

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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8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr

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. Transac Code (Instr. §	5. etionNumber of S) Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	;		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 1 5 ()
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.97					01/01/2008	07/26/2017	Common Stock	30,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LORIMER R SCOTT 877 N 8TH ST W RIVERTON, WY 82501	X						

Signatures

/s/ Mark J. Larsen, attorney-in-fact

01/12/2012

**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).
- (1) Shares issued in the U.S. Energy Corp. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the 'ESOP') in an account established for the benefit of the Reporting Person.
- (2) Shares held in the U.S. Energy Corp. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the 'ESOP') in an account established for the benefit of the Reporting Person.
- (3) Stock options granted under the Issuer's 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan with a 5 year vesting schedule and exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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