Grady E Joseph Form 4 March 11, 2011

## FORM 4

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

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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 \* Grady E Joseph

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC.

[CXPO]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(State)

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

02/18/2011

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

Number:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title

Other (specify Senior VP & CFO

**OMB APPROVAL** 

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C/O CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC., 717 TEXAS AVENUE, **SUITE 2900** 

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Common 02/26/2011  $F^{(1)}$ D 5,758 D 206,652 4.36 Stock

Common 03/09/2011 Stock

58,000 \$0 264,652 Α

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

 $A^{(2)}$ 

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# $\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of a 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 Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A N Sl
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.7	02/18/2011		D		90,000	(3)	04/01/2016	Common Stock	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5	02/18/2011		A	90,000		<u>(4)</u>	02/18/2021	Common Stock	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.5	02/18/2011		D		135,000	(3)	04/01/2016	Common Stock	1
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5	02/18/2011		A	135,000		<u>(4)</u>	02/18/2021	Common Stock	1

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsnips						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

Grady E Joseph C/O CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC. 717 TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 2900 HOUSTON, TX 77002

Senior VP & CFO

# **Signatures**

/s/ William Austin, Legal
Counsel
03/11/2011

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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## **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) Withholding of stock to satisfy tax withholding obligations.
- The reporting person was awarded 58,000 shares of restricted stock of the Issuer pursuant to a discretionary long-term equity award. Of these shares of restricted stock, 25% will vest on each of March 9, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 should the reporting person remain an employee of the Company on the pertinent vesting date absent earlier vesting pursuant to the terms of restricted stock award agreement.
- (3) The option provided for vesting in four annual installments (15% the first year, 25% the second year, 25% the third year and 35% the fourth year) beginning February 28, 2006.
- On February 18, 2011, the Issuer cancelled, pursuant to the Issuer's option exchange program, vested options for 225,000 shares of Issuers common stock granted to the reporting person on February 28, 2005. In exchange, the reporting person received an unvested replacement option for 225,000 shares, having an exercise price of \$5.00 per share. The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning February 18, 2012.

#### **Remarks:**

This Form 4 has been signed by William Austin, Legal Counsel of Crimson Exploration Inc., on behalf of Mr. Grady, pursuan Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.