ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WALLACE WILLIAM H			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP [AXAS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 18803 MEISI	(First) NER DRIVI	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2011	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP Operations			
SAN ANTON	(Street)	258	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State) (Z	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	03/22/2011		M	15,000	A	\$ 0.66	121,800	D	
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	03/22/2011		F	2,033	D	\$ 4.87	119,767	D	

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	orDeriv Secu Acqu or Di (D)	urities uired (A) Disposed of tr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.66	03/22/2011		M		15,000	03/21/2011	03/23/2011	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	15,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.72						03/15/2012	03/15/2021	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	30,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 2.09						03/16/2011	03/16/2020	Abraxas Common Stock	60,00
Employee Stock Option	\$ 1.75						10/05/2010	10/05/2015	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	66,93
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.99						03/17/2010	03/17/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	50,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.6						08/28/2011	08/28/2017	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	18,920
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.59						09/13/2009	09/13/2015	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stockk	50,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.65						11/22/2006	11/22/2012	Abraxas Petroleum Common	22,00

Stockk

Employe

Stock 04/24/2007 04/24/2013 \$ 0.68 Option

Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock

15,00

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WALLACE WILLIAM H VP 18803 MEISNER DRIVE **Operations** SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258

Signatures

William H. 03/24/2011 Wallace

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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