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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP [AXAS] Krog George William Jr (Month/Day/Year) 09/09/2011 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 18803 MEISNER DRIVE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person SAN ANTONIO, TXÂ 78258 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Chief Accounting Officer Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock D Â 25,134 Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock 2,739 I 401-K Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative | 2. Date Exercisable and | 3. Title and Amount of | 4. | 5. | 6. Nature of Indirect |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Security | Expiration Date | Securities Underlying | Conversion | Ownership | Beneficial |
| (Instr. 4) | (Month/Day/Year) | Derivative Security | or Exercise | Form of | Ownership |
| | | (Instr. 4) | Price of | Derivative | (Instr. 5) |
| | | | Derivative | Security: | |

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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------------------|---|
| Employee Stock Option | 04/24/2007 | 04/24/2013 | Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock | 2,500 | \$ 0.68 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option | 09/23/2009 | 09/23/2015 | Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock | 25,000 | \$ 4.59 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option | 03/24/2010 | 02/24/2016 | Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock | 5,000 | \$ 6.05 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option | 08/28/2011 | 08/28/2017 | Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock | 8,829 | \$ 3.6 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option | 03/17/2010(1) | 03/17/2019 | Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock | 10,000 | \$ 0.99 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option | 10/05/2010(1) | 10/05/2019 | Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock | 26,775 | \$ 1.75 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option | 03/16/2011(1) | 03/16/2020 | Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock | 12,700 | \$ 2.09 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option | 03/15/2012(1) | 03/15/2021 | Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock | 10,000 | \$ 4.72 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| Krog George William Jr 18803 MEISNER DRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258 | Â | Â | Chief Accounting Officer | Â | |

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Signatures

G. William 69/14/2011 Krog, Jr.

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Options vest 25% per year beginning one year from date of grant.

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