Mengle Jay S Form 4 March 06, 2012

FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Mengle Jay S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC.

(Check all applicable)

[CXPO]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

03/02/2012

below) Senior VP - Engineering

C/O CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC., 717 TEXAS AVENUE,

(Street)

SUITE 2900

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State)

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

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

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D)

Common Stock

03/02/2012

 $A^{(1)}$ 60,000

\$0 304,969

D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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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	1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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										of		
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mengle Jay S C/O CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC. 717 TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 2900 HOUSTON, TX 77002

Senior VP - Engineering

Signatures

/s/ John A.
Thomas

**Signature of Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

The reporting person was awarded 60,000 shares of restricted stock of the Issuer pursuant to the Issuer's Long-Term Incentive

Compensation Plan. Of these shares of restricted stock, 25% will vest on each of March 2, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 should the reporting person remain an employee of the Issuer on the pertinent vesting date absent earlier vesting pursuant to the terms of the restricted stock award agreement.

Remarks:

This Form 4 has been signed by John A. Thomas, Secretary of Crimson Exploration Inc., on behalf of Mr. Mengle, pursuant to 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.

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