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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANCE COMMISSION									OMB APPROVAL		
<b>UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION</b> Washington, D.C. 20549						MISSION	OMB Number:	3235-0287			
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(Print or Type Respondence)	nses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> COX RALPH			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			[AXAS]					(Check all applicable)			
	(Last) (First) (Middle) 8803 MEISNER DRIVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/14/2013				X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check</li> <li>Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> </ul>				
SAN ANTONIO	), TX 7825	8					Fo Person		ore than One Repo	orting	
(City) (	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - No	n-Derivativ	e Securiti	es Acq	uired,	Disposed of,	or Beneficially	Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)			) Beneficially ) Owned Following Reported Transaction		Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and	4)		
ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORPORATION COMMON STOCK	N 01/14/2	2013		A	40,000	A	\$ 2.3	411,949	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Unde Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Addr	ess	Relationships							
L O	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					
COX RALPH 18803 MEISNER DRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258	X								
Signatures									
RALPH F. COX	01/18/2013								
<u>**</u> 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).

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