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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. [BCEI]

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Starzer Michael R

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. [BCE1]			BCEI	(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction								
C/O BONANZA CREEK ENERGY, INC., 410 17TH STREET, SUITE 1400			(Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2012					_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO			
	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					
DENVER,	CO 80202							Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non	-Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	iired, Disposed o	f, or Benefici	ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Da	Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	Onor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	ed of (5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Stock	12/17/2012			S <u>(1)</u>	80,000	D	26.109 (2)	374,600 <u>(3)</u>	D		
Common Stock								98,067	I	By the Starzer Revocable Trust	
Common Stock								1,811,903 (4)	I	By the BCEC Investment Trust	

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	•
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	į
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	į
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	. 3 and 4)		
	Security				Acquired						1
	-				(A) or						į
					Disposed						
					of (D)						
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	·	or		
						Exercisable Date		Number			
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Maine / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Starzer Michael R C/O BONANZA CREEK ENERGY, INC. 410 17TH STREET, SUITE 1400 DENVER, CO 80202

X

President & CEO

Signatures

/s/ Christopher I. Humber as Attorney-in-Fact

12/19/2012

**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).
- (1) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
 - The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$26.00 to \$26.38, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc., any security holder of Bonanza Creek
- Energy, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote to the Form 4.
- (3) Includes (i) 275,142 shares of common stock and (ii) 99,458 shares of restricted common stock subject to vesting.

(4)

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1,811,903 shares of common stock held by the BCEC Investment Trust, for which Mr. Starzer serves as sole trustee. Mr. Starzer disclaims beneficial ownership of shares of the BCEC Investment Trust in which he does not have a pecuniary interest.

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