

# DIAMONDBACK ENERGY, INC.

Reported by  
**STICE TRAVIS D.**

## FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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| Telephone   | 405-463-6900                                       |
| CIK         | 0001539838   |
| Symbol      | FANG   |
| SIC Code    | 1311 - Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas             |
| Industry    | Oil & Gas Exploration and Production               |
| Sector      | Energy   |
| Fiscal Year | 12/31  |

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol       |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)   |  |
| <b>Stice Travis D.</b>                    |  | <b>Diamondback Energy, Inc. [ FANG ]</b>          |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)<br><b>Chief Executive Officer</b> |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)                   |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)      |  |  |  |
| <b>500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200</b>         |  | <b>1/2/2018</b>                                   |  |  |  |
| (Street)                                  |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY) |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  |  |
| <b>MIDLAND, TX 79701</b>                  |  |   |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)                      |  |   |  |  |  |

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Trans. Date | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution<br>Date, if any | 3. Trans. Code<br>(Instr. 8) |     | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |               |       | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>Following Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr.<br>4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|------------------------------------|----------------|---|------------------------------|-----|---|---------------|-------|---|---|---|
|                                    |                |   | Code                         | V   | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D) | Price |   |   |   |
| Common Stock                       | 1/2/2018       |   | S                            | (1) | 35000   | D             | \$125 | 197342  | I (2)   | By Stice Investments, Ltd. (2)                                    |

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

| 1. Title of Derivate<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Trans.<br>Date | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution<br>Date, if any | 4. Trans. Code<br>(Instr. 8) |   | 5. Number of<br>Derivative Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date |     | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                    | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership<br>Form of<br>Derivative<br>Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr.<br>4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|--|--|-------------------|---|------------------------------|---|--|--|-----|--|--------------------|---|--|---|--|
|  |  |                   |   | Code                         | V |  | (A)  | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date |   |  |   |  |

#### Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (2) These securities are held by Stice Investments, Ltd., which is managed by Stice Management, LLC, its general partner. Mr. Stice and his spouse hold 100% of the membership interests in Stice Management, LLC, of which Mr. Stice is the manager.

#### Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| <b>Stice Travis D.</b><br><b>500 WEST TEXAS, SUITE 1200</b><br><b>MIDLAND, TX 79701</b> | X             |           | Chief Executive Officer |       |

#### Signatures

/s/ **Randall J. Holder, as attorney-in-fact for Travis D. Stice**

**1/3/2018**

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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