

CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC.
Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Atkins Thomas H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC.
[CXPI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC., 480 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E, SUITE 300

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/01/2006

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior VP/Land & Business Dev.

HOUSTON, TX 77060

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 03/01/2006 | | A | 36,000 A \$ 0 | 36,000 | 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)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Code | V | (A) | (D) |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Atkins Thomas H
 C/O CRIMSON EXPLORATION INC.
 480 N. SAM HOUSTON PKWY E, SUITE 300
 HOUSTON, TX 77060

Senior
 VP/Land &
 Business Dev.

Signatures

/s/ Stephen W. Schoppe 03/03/2006

**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 acquired Common Stock are restricted shares will vest one year following the grant date of March 1, 2006, but this grant shall be forfeited should the executive officer leave the Company, for whatever reason, prior to 03/01/07.

Remarks:

The Form has been signed by Stephen W. Schoppe, Acting Secretary for Crimson Exploration Inc., on behalf of Mr. Atkins pursuant to an instrument of power of attorney dated February 23, 2006. The authority granted pursuant to such instrument is to remain in full force and effect until rescinded in writing by Mr. Atkins.

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