

BARTLETT SCOTT JR
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FORM 4

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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 *
BARTLETT SCOTT JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP
 [AXAS]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
18803 MEISNER DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/08/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership: Beneficial or Indirect (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	10/08/2009		M		10,000	A	\$ 1.06
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock					26,000	I	

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)	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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Director Stock Options	\$ 1.06	10/08/2009		M	10,000	05/21/2010	05/21/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	10,000
Director Stock Options	\$ 0.99					03/17/2010 ⁽¹⁾	03/17/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	50,000
Director Stock Options	\$ 4.5					05/21/2008	05/21/2018	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	10,000
Director Stock Options	\$ 4.32					06/26/2007	06/26/2017	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	10,000
Director Stock Options	\$ 4.51					05/25/2006	05/25/2016	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	10,000
Director Stock Options	\$ 2.75					06/01/2005	06/01/2015	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

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18803 MEISNER DRIVE
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258

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Signatures

SCOTT C.
BARTLETT JR.

10/13/2009

 **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) Options vest 25% per year over four years beginning 3/17/2010.

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