

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc.  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 Carty Richard J

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 410 - 17TH STREET, SUITE 1400  
 (Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Bonanza Creek Energy, Inc. [BCEI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/19/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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 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

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. D
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
LTIP Units	<u>(1)</u>	07/19/2016	A	437,500 <u>(1)</u>					<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	437,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Carty Richard J 410 - 17TH STREET, SUITE 1400 DENVER, CO 80202	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

By: Cyrus D. Marter IV, attorney-in-fact For: Richard J. Carty

07/21/2016

\*\*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) Each LTIP unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of BCEI common stock, subject to adjustment as described in Footnote 3.
- (2) This award will vest in three equal installments on March 15, 2017, March 15, 2018, and March 15, 2019.
- (3) The distribution at each vesting date will be adjusted downward if the BCEI stock price exceeds \$26.00, so that the distribution represents a value equivalent to \$26.00 per share.

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