SCHEIRMAN W RUSSELL II

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SCHEIRMAN W RUSSELL II

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

VAALCO ENERGY INC /DE/ [EGY]

_X__ Director

(Check all applicable)

President

(First)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2009

(Middle)

(Zin)

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

4600 POST OAK PLACE, SUITE 309

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HOUSTON, TX 77027

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	ecuriti	es Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie (A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4	osed c	of (D)	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)
Common Stock	12/30/2009		M	300,000	A	\$ 3.85	300,694	D	
Common Stock	12/30/2009		F(1)	265,521	D	\$ 4.7	35,173	D	

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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 orDerivative 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
Options	\$ 3.85	12/30/2009		M		300,000	(2)	01/12/2010	Common Stock	300,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SCHEIRMAN W RUSSELL II 4600 POST OAK PLACE SUITE 309 HOUSTON, TX 77027	X		President				

Signatures

//W. Russell Scheirman 12/31/2009

**Signature of Reporting Date

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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).
 - The Reporting Person exercised 300,000 non-statutory options, which options were otherwise due to expire on January 12, 2010. The
- (1) Reporting Person executed a cashless exercise to effectuate the transaction. The cashless exercise resulted in a net gain of 34,479 shares of directly held common stock. To cover the cost of the options and associated taxes the Issuer witheld 265,521 shares.
- (2) The options vested 1/3 on each of 1/12/2005, 2006 and 2007.

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