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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement TORCHLIGHT ENERGY RESOURCES INC [TRCH] **NEWTON ROBERT DAVID** (Month/Day/Year) 10/11/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

5700 W. PLANO (Check all applicable) PARKWAY, Â SUITE 3600

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

PLANO, TXÂ 75093

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

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

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

2. Date Exercisable and 1. Title of Derivative Security 3. Title and Amount of 4. 6. Nature of Indirect (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Form of Derivative Security or Exercise (Instr. 5) Derivative (Instr. 4) Price of Security: Derivative Date **Expiration Title** Amount or Security Direct (D) Number of Exercisable Date or Indirect Shares (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NEWTON ROBERT DAVID

5700 W. PLANO PARKWAY
SUITE 3600
PLANO, TXÂ 75093

Signatures

/s/ Robert David
Newton

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

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