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1(b).

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

(Print or Type Responses)

| 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc. [LPI] | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | | |
| 12/19/2011 | Sr. V.P. and General Counsel | | | |
| 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| | Symbol Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc. [LPI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/19/2011 4. If Amendment, Date Original | | | |

| (City) | (State) (| 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | on(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock | 12/19/2011 | | Code V $J(1)$ | Amount 10,926 | (D) | Price \$ 0 (1) | 10,926 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/19/2011 | | P | 4,300 | A | \$ 18.5 (2) | 15,226 | 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)

| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Title | and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | TransactionNumber | | Number Expiration Date | | Amoun | t of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Underly | ying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securit | ies | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. 3 | 3 and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
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| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | | Or Number | | |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer 10% Owner Director Other

Dornblaser Kenneth E 15 W. SIXTH STREET, SUITE 1800 **TULSA, OK 74119**

Sr. V.P. and General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Kenneth E. 12/21/2011 Dornblaser

**Signature of Reporting Date

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- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

These shares were received in connection with a corporate reorganization completed prior to the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering described in the prospectus dated December 14, 2011, in which Laredo Petroleum, LLC ("Laredo LLC") merged with the Issuer, with the Issuer being the surviving entity. In accordance with the limited liability company agreement of Laredo LLC, the reporting

- person received common stock of the Issuer in exchange for his vested and unvested units in Laredo LLC. The number of shares that the reporting person received was based on the value that the reporting person would have received under the distribution provisions of the Laredo LLC agreement upon a liquidation of Laredo LLC at a liquidation value determined by reference to the initial offering price. To the extent any such units were subject to vesting requirements, the common stock issued in exchange therefor is also subject to such requirements.
- (2) The price to the public at the time of purchase.

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