

Shellum Gysle R.
Form 4
April 21, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Shellum Gysle R.

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT
CORP [PETD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1775 SHERMAN STREET SUITE
3000

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/19/2010

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

(Street)
DENVER, CO 80203

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	
Restricted Common Stock	04/19/2010		A		14,578 (1)	A \$ 0 25,503	D

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right (SAR) (2)	\$ 24.44	04/19/2010		A	8,490	04/19/2011 04/19/2020	Common Stock 8,490

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Shellum Gysle R. 1775 SHERMAN STREET SUITE 3000 DENVER, CO 80203			CFO	

Signatures

Gysle R.
Shellum 04/21/2010

Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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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).

(1) The restricted stock vests in three equal installments on April 19, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

(2) The SARs become exercisable in three equal installments on April 19, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

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