Shellum Gysle R. Form 4 December 03, 2008

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Shellum Gysle R.

120 GENESIS BLVD.

(Last)

(City)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORP [petd]

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2008

3.

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

below) Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

5. Amount of

Beneficially

Securities

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

(D) or

Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

BRIDGEPORT, WV 26330

(State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Owned Following Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Amount (D) Price

4. Securities Acquired

Restricted

Common 12/01/2008 Stock (1)

A 12,240

Code V

Α \$0 12,240 D

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

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6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Form: Direct Indirect

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		ate	7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Shellum Gysle R. 120 GENESIS BLVD. BRIDGEPORT, WV 26330

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Gysle R. 12/01/2008 Shellum

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) For year vesting: These shares vest 25% upon the passage of each year following the grant. These shares were issued per employment letter disclosed on Form 8K filed October 29, 2008.

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