

Thill Howard J SR  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Thill Howard J SR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Sanchez Energy Corp [SN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1000 MAIN STREET, SUITE 3000  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/10/2017

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive VP & CFO

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/10/2017		M	58,333 A	333,333	D	
Common Stock	10/10/2017		D	58,333 D \$ 4.41	275,000	D	
Common Stock	10/12/2017		S	16,499 (2) D \$ 4.265	258,501	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 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	10/10/2017		M	58,333	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	58,333

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Thill Howard J SR 1000 MAIN STREET, SUITE 3000 HOUSTON, TX 77002			Executive VP & CFO	

## Signatures

/s/ Howard J.  
Thill

10/12/2017

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## 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).

On October 10, 2016, Reporting Person was granted 175,000 shares of phantom stock. Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of Issuer's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share. The 175,000 shares of phantom stock vest in equal annual installments over three years. Reporting Person settled one-third of his shares of phantom stock for cash.

(2) The sale reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan established by Reporting Person and was used to satisfy Reporting Person's federal income tax obligations with respect to the vesting of equity awards.

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