

PDC ENERGY, INC.  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Amidon Daniel Willson

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 3000

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80203

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PDC ENERGY, INC. [PDCE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/13/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr. VP, General Counsel & Sec.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/13/2015                           |  | M                              | 5,921   | A \$ 56,152   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/13/2015                           |  | F                              | 2,016 <sup>(2)</sup>  | D \$ 39.63  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/13/2015                           |  | A                              | 14,390 <sup>(3)</sup>   | A \$ 0  | D  |                                   |

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

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- (4) The SARs become exercisable in three pro rata installments on December 30, 2015, December 30, 2016 and January 13, 2018. The reporting person also holds additional previously awarded SARs subject to different vesting, exercise price and other criteria.

Each performance share unit represents a contingent right to receive 0-200% of that number in shares of PDCE common stock. The amount reported represents the "target" number. The performance shares units vest upon continued employment and achievement of

- (5) specified thresholds of total shareholder return (TSR) compared to certain peers, as measured in December of 2017 and as described in the related grant agreement. Participant also holds additional previously awarded performance shares/rights, all subject to different future vesting and performance criteria.

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