

PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP  
 Form 3  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 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 * ^ Dunlap Joan W (Last) (First) (Middle)  1000 LOUISIANA, ^ SUITE 5600 (Street)  HOUSTON, ^ TX ^ 77002 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2007	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP [HAWK]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) VP - Investor Relations	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	7,250	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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Exercisable	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)  Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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		Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (right to buy)	09/27/2004	09/26/2014	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 7.99	D	Â
Stock Options (right to buy)	01/26/2005	01/25/2015	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 8.51	D	Â
Stock Options (right to buy)	01/12/2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/11/2016	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 14.07	D	Â
Stock Options (right to buy)	08/11/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/10/2016	Common Stock	5,500	\$ 10.23	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Rights	03/02/2008 <sup>(3)</sup>	03/01/2017	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 11.64	D	Â
Warrants (right to buy)	05/25/2004	05/24/2009	Common Stock	14,906	\$ 3.3	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Dunlap Joan W 1000 LOUISIANA SUITE 5600 HOUSTON, TX 77002	Â	Â	Â VP - Investor Relations	Â

## Signatures

Travis Counts, Attorney  
in Fact 07/11/2007

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The stock options vest in three annual installments with 6,666 vesting on January 12, 2007, 6,666 vesting on January 12, 2008 and 6,667 vesting on January 12, 2009.
- (2) The stock options vest in three annual installments with 1,833 vesting on August 11, 2007, 1,833 vesting on August 11, 2008 and 1,834 vesting on August 11, 2009.
- (3) The stock appreciation rights vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 2, 2008.

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