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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BETZ ROBERT**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Applied Minerals, Inc. [AMNL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/29/2016

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

110 GREENE ST., STE 1101

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

below)

NEW YORK, NY 10012

(City)

(Instr. 3)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **TransactionDerivative Expiration Date** Underlying Securities Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title

Exercisable Date

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COMMON STOCK

OPTION \$ 0.28 01/29/2016 A 64,815 01/29/2017 01/28/2026 COMMON STOCK

(RIGHT TO BUY)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BETZ ROBERT 110 GREENE ST., STE 1101 X NEW YORK, NY 10012

Signatures

/s/ Robert Betz 02/02/2016

**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).

On January 29, 2016, Mr. Betz was granted an option to purchase 64,815 shares of common stock of Applied Minerals, Inc. This grant is a component of the compensation Mr. Betz will receive for serving as a Director of the Company for the 2016 calendar year. The exercise price of the option is \$0.28 per share. The term is 10 years. 50% of the option vests on the first anniversary date of the grant and the remaining 50% vests on the second anniversary date of the grant.

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