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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Van't Hof Matthew Kaes

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Diamondback Energy, Inc. [FANG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 500 WEST TEXAS AVENUE,
 SUITE 1200
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/21/2019

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Sr. VP - Strategy & Corp Dev

MIDLAND, TX 79701

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	02/21/2019		A		3,900 (1) \$ 0	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2019		F		949 (2) \$ 102.14	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2019		F		356 (3) \$ 102.14	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2019		F		325 (4) \$ 102.14	D	

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

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restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on February 16, 2017. The number of shares of common stock withheld was determined based on the closing price per share of the issuer's common stock on February 22, 2019.

- (4) The issuer withheld shares of common stock that would have otherwise been issuable to the reporting person to satisfy the issuer's tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting and settlement on February 22, 2019 of the second tranche of the time-based restricted stock units granted to the reporting person on February 13, 2018. The number of shares of common stock withheld was determined based on the closing price per share of the issuer's common stock on February 22, 2019.

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