

PATTERSON UTI 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 \*  
**HUFF CURTIS W**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC [PTEN]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 2800 POST OAK BLVD, SUITE 2000

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/16/2016

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

(Street)  
 HOUSTON, TX 77056

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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, \$.01 par value per share | 12/16/2016                           |  | M                              |   | 10,000<br><u>(1)</u>  | A  | \$ 21.95  |
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share | 12/16/2016                           |  | F                              |   | 8,196<br><u>(2)</u>   | D  | \$ 26.78  |
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value           | 12/16/2016                           |  | M                              |   | 10,000<br><u>(1)</u>  | A  | \$ 11.51  |

per share

Common  
Stock, \$.01  
par value  
per share

12/16/2016

M

10,000  
(1)

A

\$  
15.35

85,684

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) |        |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title  | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 21.95   | 12/16/2016                           |  | M                              | 10,000  | 01/03/2008 01/02/2017                                    | Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share                       | 10,000 |                            |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 11.51   | 12/16/2016                           |  | M                              | 10,000  | 01/01/2010 12/31/2018                                    | Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share                       | 10,000 |                            |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 15.35   | 12/16/2016                           |  | M                              | 10,000  | 01/01/2011 12/31/2019                                    | Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share                       | 10,000 |                            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
|                                | X             |           |         |       |

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HOUSTON, TX 77056

## Signatures

By Barry Huntsman pursuant to a Limited Power of Attorney filed with the SEC on 01/02/2014. /s/Barry Huntsman

12/20/2016

\_\_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).
- (1) Acquired upon exercise of option.
  - (2) Shares disposed to pay exercise price of option.

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