BERNS KENNETH N

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BERNS KENNETH N

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Senior Vice President

PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC

[PTEN]

Symbol

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify below)

1801 CENTURY PARK EAST, SUITE 1111

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

04/28/2009

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

LOS ANGELES, CA 90067

(State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Price Code V Amount (D)

(A)

Common

per share

(City)

Stock, \$.01 04/28/2009 par value

49,000 (1)

\$0 177,500

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (I (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration (Month/I	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisal	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.17	04/28/2009		A	175,000	(2)	04/27/2019	Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	175,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BERNS KENNETH N 1801 CENTURY PARK EAST SUITE 1111 LOS ANGELES, CA 90067	X		Senior Vice President			

Signatures

By Gregory W. Pipkin pursuant to a Limited Power of Attorney filed with the SEC on 5/8/2008. /s/Gregory W. Pipkin

04/30/2009

**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) One-third of the shares vest on April 28, 2010 and the remainder vests in equal monthly installments over the twenty-four months following April 28, 2010.
- One-third of the options vest on April 28, 2010 and the remainder vests in equal monthly installments over the twenty-four months following April 28, 2010.

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