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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad BERNS KEN	•	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			PATTERSON UTI ENERGY INC [PTEN]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last) 1801 CENTU	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/26/2016	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
EAST, SUITE 1111			04/20/2010	Senior Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
LOS ANGEL	LES, CA 90	0067	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
	•			Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I. Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired Disposed of or Reneficially Owner		

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3,	sposed	of	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)
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	04/26/2016		A	48,300 (1)	A		397,722	D	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share							140,000	I	By Trust(s) (2)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (I (Instr. 3, 4, and 5))		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.54	04/26/2016		A	189,100	<u>(3)</u>	04/25/2026	Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	189,100

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

By Barry Huntsman pursuant to a Limited Power of Attorney filed with the SEC on 3/29/2013 /s/ Barry Huntsman

04/27/2016

**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) One-third of the shares vests on April 26, 2017 and the remainder vests in equal monthly installments over the twenty-four months following April 26, 2017.
- (2) Held by trust(s) for which the reporting person is the trustee.
- (3) One-third of the options vests on April 26, 2017 and the remainder vests in equal monthly installments over the twenty-four months following April 26, 2017.

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