LANG JOHN DOUGLAS

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1 Name and Address of Reporting Person *

LANG JOHN DOUGLAS			Symbol WHITING PETROLEUM CORP [WLL]					Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (ADWAY, SUITE	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2011				DirectorX Officer (give below)		Owner or (specify		
DENVER,	(Street) CO 80290			ndment, Da th/Day/Year	U	1		6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O Form filed by M Person	One Reporting Pe	rson	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)	Executio any	ned n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	(A) or	d of (D) 5) Price	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	02/28/2011			S	4,044	D	\$ 64.75	23,654 (2)	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)

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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. conNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	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
2011 Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 60.285 (2)					<u>(1)</u>	01/18/2021	Common Stock	4,100 (2)
Stock Option - Right to Purchase	\$ 34.31 (2)					<u>(1)</u>	01/26/2020	Common Stock	2,572 (2)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LANG JOHN DOUGLAS 1700 BROADWAY, SUITE 2300 DENVER, CO 80290			Vice President				

Signatures

/s/ Bruce R. DeBoer, Attorney-in-Fact 02/28/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

grant and 3/3 on 3rd anniversary of the date of grant.

- * 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).
- Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under the Whiting Petroleum Corporation 2003 Equity Incentive Plan. (1) The option vests and becomes exercisable as follows: 1/3 on 1st anniversary of the date of grant, 2/3 on 2nd anniversary of the date of
- (2) Adjusted to reflect the two-for-one split of Whiting Petroleum Corporation common stock distributed on February 22, 2011 to holders of record as of February 7, 2011.

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