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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 * Ericson William W.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Rocket Fuel Inc. [FUEL]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

09/25/2013

_X__ Director X 10% Owner __ Other (specify Officer (give title

3000 SAND HILL ROAD, BUILDING THREE, SUITE

(Street)

290

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

MENLO PARK, CA 94025

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tal | ole I - Non- | -Derivative Sec | urities | Acquire | d, Disposed of, o | r Beneficially | Owned |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|-----------------|---|--------------------|---|----------------|------------------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (IIIStr. 1) | |
| Common Stock | 09/25/2013 | | C | 11,433,501 | A | (2) (3) (4) (5) | 11,433,501 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | 09/25/2013 | | S | 480,770 | D | \$ 26.97 | 10,952,731 | I | See footnote (1) |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 1,872 | 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) | iorDe Sec Ac Dis | Number of erivative scurities equired (A) or isposed of (D) nstr. 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 | 7 (A | A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Series A Convertible Preferred Stock | (2) | 09/25/2013 | | С | | 9,153,564 | <u>(2)</u> | <u>(2)</u> | Common Stock | 9,153, |
| Series B Convertible Preferred Stock | (3) | 09/25/2013 | | С | | 1,684,149 | <u>(3)</u> | (3) | Common Stock | 1,684, |
| Series C Convertible Preferred Stock | <u>(4)</u> | 09/25/2013 | | С | | 340,773 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | 340,7 |
| Series C-1 Convertible Preferred Stock | <u>(5)</u> | 09/25/2013 | | С | | 255,015 | <u>(5)</u> | (5) | Common Stock | 255,0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| topoling o made runne, runne ass | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| Ericson William W. 3000 SAND HILL ROAD BUILDING THREE, SUITE 290 MENLO PARK, CA 94025 | X | X | | | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | | |
| /s/ Ken Scully by power of attorney | 09/ | 27/2013 | | | | | | |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | | Date | | | | | | |

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- * 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).
 - Shares directly held by MDV IX, L.P. ("MDV IX"), as nominee for MDV IX and MDV ENF IX, L.P. Ninth MDV Partners, L.L.C. ("Ninth MDV") is the General Partner of MDV IX. William Ericson, a director of the Issuer, and Jonathan Feiber are Managing Members
- (1) of Ninth MDV. Each of William Ericson, Jonathan Feiber, and Ninth MDV may be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the shares held by MDV IX. Each disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his or its respective pecuniary interest therein. Ninth MDV, MDV IX, and Jonathan Feiber are filing a separate Form 4.
- (2) The Series A Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into Common Stock on a 1:1 basis immediately prior to the completion of the Issuer's public offering and had no expiration date.
- (3) The Series B Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into Common Stock on a 1:1 basis immediately prior to the completion of the Issuer's public offering and had no expiration date.
- (4) The Series C Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into Common Stock on a 1:1 basis immediately prior to the completion of the Issuer's public offering and had no expiration date.
- (5) The Series C-1 Convertible Preferred Stock automatically converted into Common Stock on a 1:1 basis immediately prior to the completion of the Issuer's public offering and had no expiration date.

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