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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Clarke Tod A | | 2. Date of Event RequiringStatement(Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP [AXAS] | | | | |
|--|-----------|---|------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 08/16/2017 | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | |
| 18803 MEIS | (Street) | | | | (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258 | | | | | _X_ Officer Other (give title below) (specify belov) Vice President - Land | | ow) | _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | Table I - N | Non-Derivat | ive Securiti | ies Be | neficially Owned |
| 1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4) | ity | | | 2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4) | | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nat Owne (Instr | |
| Abraxas Petr | oleum Cor | p Commor | n Stock | 94,079 | | D | Â | |
| Abraxas Petr | oleum Cor | p Commor | n Stock | 23,680 | | Ι | 401- | K |
| Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficia owned directly or indirectly. | | | | ^{ially} S | EC 1473 (7-02 | 2) | | |

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Date Exercisable and | 3. Title and Amount of | 4. | 5. | 6. Nature of Indirect |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------------------|
| (Instr. 4) | Expiration Date | Securities Underlying | Conversion | Ownership | Beneficial |
| | (Month/Day/Year) | Derivative Security | or Exercise | Form of | Ownership |
| | | (Instr. 4) | Price of | Derivative | (Instr. 5) |
| | | | Derivative | Security: | |

January 31,

2005

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Date Expiration Title Amount or Security Direct (D) Date or Indirect Exercisable Number of Shares (I) (Instr. 5) Abraxas Petroleum Â Employee Stock Option 03/11/2018 03/11/2024 Corp 18,000 \$ 3.15 D Common Stock Abraxas Petroleum Â **Employee Stock Option** 05/15/2020 05/15/2026 Corp \$ 0.97 D 64,000 Common Stock Abraxas Petroleum Â **Employee Stock Option** 03/08/2016 03/08/2022 Corp 5,000 \$ 3.74 D Common Stock Abraxas Petroleum Â Employee Stock Option 03/15/2015 03/11/2021 10,000 D Corp \$4.72 Common Stock Abraxas Petroleum Â D Employee Stock Option 03/16/2014 03/16/2020 13,300 \$ 2.09 Corp Common Stock Abraxas Petroleum Â Employee Stock Option 03/17/2013 03/17/2019 Corp 5,000 \$ 0.99 D Common Stock Abraxas Petroleum Â D Employee Stock Option 05/14/2017 05/14/2027 Corp 17,300 \$ 2.39 Common Stock Abraxas Petroleum **Employee Stock Option** 08/28/2011 08/28/2017 Corp 7,810 \$ 3.6 D Â Common Stock Â **Employee Stock Option** 08/09/2015 08/09/2021 Abraxas 25,000 \$ 3.55 D Petroleum Corp

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| | | | Common Stock | | | | |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|---|--------|---------|---|---|
| Employee Stock Option | 10/05/2013 | 10/05/2019 | Abraxas Petroleum Corp Common Stock | 20,775 | \$ 1.75 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Clarke Tod A 18803 MEISNER DRIVE SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258 | Â | Â | Vice President - Land | Â | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | |
| Tod A. Clarke 08/16 | 5/2017 | | | | | |
| <u>**</u> Signature of D Reporting Person | late | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

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