GIBBONS WILLIAM H

Form 4

November 24, 2004

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GIBBONS WILLIAM H**

> (First) (Middle)

3700 BUFFALO SPEEDWAY, SUITE 960

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77098

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CONTANGO OIL & GAS CO [MCF]

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

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

11/23/2004

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Vice President and Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					(A) or		Reported Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/23/2004		M	50,000	A	\$ 4.37	87,861	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		F	27,313	D	\$8	60,548	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		M	10,000	A	\$ 2.44	70,548	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		F	3,050	D	\$8	67,498	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		M	25,000	A	\$ 3	92,498	D	

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Common Stock F 9,375 D \$8 83,123 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or D (D)	nrities uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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
Common Stock (right to buy)	\$ 4.37	11/23/2004		M		50,000	10/25/2004	11/20/2005	Common Stock	50,000
ommon Stock (right to buy)	\$ 2.44	11/23/2004		M		10,000	10/25/2004	07/23/2011	Common Stock	10,000
ommon Stock (right to buy)	\$ 3	11/23/2004		M		25,000	10/25/2004	07/12/2012	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GIBBONS WILLIAM H			Vice					
3700 BUFFALO SPEEDWAY			, 100					
SUITE 960			President and					
HOUSTON, TX 77098			Treasurer					

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William H. 11/24/2004 Gibbons

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Reporting person engaged in a cashless exercise of stock options granted under the Issuer's Incentive Plan exempt under 16b-3 using Contango common stock and having a value at the date of exercise of \$8.00 per share to pay the exercise price.

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