TRIMBLE JAMES M

Form 4

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FORM 4

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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 * TRIMBLE JAMES M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT CORP [PETD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 1775 SHERMA 3000	(First) AN STREET	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/09/2011	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) CEO and President		
(Street) DENVER, CO 80203			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Chec 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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	(A) or Amount (D) Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(======================================	(
Common Stock	08/09/2011		P	2,000 A 24.81	71,428	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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TRIMBLE JAMES M							
1775 SHERMAN STREET SUITE 3000	X		CEO and President				
DENVER CO 80203							

Signatures

/s/ James M.
Trimble

**Signature of Reporting Person

O8/10/2011

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).

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were bought in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$24.75 to \$24.84, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to PDC Energy, any security holder of PDC Energy, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares bought at each separate price within the range set forth in footnote 1 to this Form 4.

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