ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

WALLACE WILLIAM H		Symbol ABRAX [ABP]	ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP				(Check all applicable)			
(Last) POX BOX 1	(Month/D	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/27/2005				Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President - Operations				
BLANCO, T		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				
(City)	(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or 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. 8)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D)		Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	12/27/2005		M	4,000	•	16,416	D			
Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	12/29/2005		S	2,000	D \$ 5.33	14,416	D			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Number iomf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 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	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options	\$ 0.66	12/27/2005		M		2,000	01/02/2000	01/02/2006	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	2,000
Employee Stock Options	\$ 0.66	12/27/2005		M		2,000	03/07/2000	03/07/2006	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WALLACE WILLIAM H POX BOX 1568

Vice President - Operations

Signatures

BLANCO, TX 78606

William H. 12/29/2005

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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