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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WYNNEFIELD PARTNERS
SMALL CAP VALUE LP

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
LAYNE CHRISTENSEN CO
[LAYN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
450 SEVENTH AVENUE, SUITE
509

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/29/2006

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

(Street)
NEW YORK, NY 10123

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 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

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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/03/2007		S		20,852	D	\$ 33.91
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	12/29/2006		S		3,019	D	\$ 33.11
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/03/2007		S		28,474	D	\$ 33.91
					600,290	D ⁽¹⁾	
					600,290	I	See footnote ⁽²⁾
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per share

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/03/2007	S	32,900	D	\$ 33.91	600,290	I	See footnote (3)
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Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/03/2007	S	280	D	\$ 33.91	600,290	I	See footnote (4)
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Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/03/2007	S	10,000	D	\$ 33.82	600,290	I	See footnote (5)
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Benef Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WYNNEFIELD PARTNERS SMALL CAP VALUE LP 450 SEVENTH AVENUE SUITE 509 NEW YORK, NY 10123	X	X		
	X	X		

WYNNEFIELD PARTNERS SMALL CAP VALUE LP I 450 SEVENTH AVENUE SUITE 509 NEW YORK, NY 10123		
WYNNEFIELD SMALL CAP VALUE OFFSHORE FUND LTD 450 SEVENTH AVE STE 509 NEW YORK, NY 10123	X	X
WYNNEFIELD CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC 450 SEVENTH AVE STE 509 NEW YORK, NY 10123	X	X
WYNNEFIELD CAPITAL INC 450 SEVENTH AVENUE SUITE 509 NEW YORK, NY 10123	X	X
CHANNEL PARTNERSHIP II L P 450 SEVENTH AVENUE SUITE 509 NEW YORK, NY 10123	X	X
Wynnefield Capital, Inc. Profit Sharing Plan 450 SEVENTH AVENUE SUITE 509 NEW YORK, NY 10123	X	X
OBUS NELSON 450 SEVENTH AVENUE SUITE 509 NEW YORK, NY 10123	X	X

Signatures

WYNNEFIELD PARTNERS SMALL CAP VALUE, L.P., By: Wynnefield Capital Management, LLC, General Partner; By: /s/Nelson Obus, Managing Member	01/04/2007
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
WYNNEFIELD PARTNERS SMALL CAP VALUE, L.P. I; By: Wynnefield Capital Management, LLC, General Partner; By: /s/Nelson Obus, Managing Member	01/04/2007
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
WYNNEFIELD SMALL CAP VALUE OFFSHORE FUND, LTD., By: Wynnefield Capital, Inc.; By: /s/Nelson Obus, President	01/04/2007
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
WYNNEFIELD CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC, By: /s/Nelson Obus, Managing Member	01/04/2007
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
WYNNEFIELD CAPITAL, INC., By: /s/Nelson Obus, President	01/04/2007
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
CHANNEL PARTNERSHIP II, L.P., By: /s/ Nelson Obus, General Partner	01/04/2007
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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WYNNEFIELD CAPITAL, INC. PROFIT SHARING PLAN, By: /s/Nelson Obus

01/04/2007

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Nelson Obus, Individually

01/04/2007

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) On the date hereof, Wynnefield Partners Small Cap Value, L.P., (the "Reporting Person") directly beneficially owns 192,990 shares of common stock, par value \$.01 per share ("Common Stock") of Layne Christensen Company (LAYN). Wynnefield Capital Management, LLC, as the sole general partner of the Reporting Person, has an indirect beneficial ownership interest in the shares of Common Stock that the Reporting Person directly beneficially owns.

(2) On the date hereof, the Reporting Person has an indirect beneficial ownership interest in 194,000 shares of Common Stock, which are directly beneficially owned by Wynnefield Partners Small Cap Value, L.P. I, as members of a group under Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Wynnefield Partners Small Cap Value, L.P. I, which maintains offices at the same address as the Reporting Person, is filing this Form jointly with the Reporting Person. Wynnefield Capital Management, LLC, as the sole general partner of Wynnefield Partners Small Cap Value, L.P. I, has an indirect beneficial ownership interest in the shares of Common Stock that Wynnefield Partners Small Cap Value L.P. I directly beneficially owns.

(3) On the date hereof, the Reporting Person has an indirect beneficial ownership interest in 213,300 shares of Common Stock, which are directly beneficially owned by Wynnefield Small Cap Value Offshore Fund, Ltd., as members of a group under Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Wynnefield Small Cap Value Offshore Fund, Ltd., which maintains offices at the same address as the Reporting Person, is filing this Form jointly with the Reporting Person. Wynnefield Capital, Inc. as the sole investment manager of Wynnefield Small Cap Value Offshore Fund, Ltd., has an indirect beneficial ownership interest in the shares of Common Stock that Wynnefield Small Cap Value Offshore Fund, Ltd. directly beneficially owns.

(4) On the date hereof, the Reporting Person no longer has any beneficial ownership interest in shares of Common Stock, previously directly beneficially owned by Channel Partnership II, L.P., as Channel Partnership II, L.P. no longer has a beneficial ownership interest in any shares of Common Stock. Channel Partnership II, L.P, which maintains offices at the same address as the Reporting Person, is filing this Form jointly with the Reporting Person. Nelson Obus, as the sole general partner of Channel Partnership II, L.P., no longer has any beneficial ownership interest in shares of Common Stock that Channel Partnership II, L.P. previously directly beneficially owned.

(5) On the date hereof, the Reporting Person no longer has any beneficial ownership interest in shares of Common Stock, previously directly beneficially owned by Wynnefield Capital Inc. Profit Sharing Plan, as Wynnefield Capital Inc. Profit Sharing Plan no longer has a beneficial ownership interest in any shares of Common Stock. Wynnefield Capital Inc. Profit Sharing Plan, which maintains offices at the same address as the Reporting Person, is filing this Form jointly with the Reporting Person.

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