

SMITH RODGER W JR

Form 4

March 23, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SMITH RODGER W JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

200 NORTH CANAL STREET

(Street)

NATCHEZ, MS 391203212

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

CALLON PETROLEUM CO [CPE]

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

03/21/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Controller/Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 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	03/21/2006	03/21/2006	M	V	8,500	A \$ 12	9,963 D
Common Stock	03/21/2006	03/21/2006	F	V	6,700 (1)	D \$ 20.01	3,263 D
Common Stock	03/22/2006	03/22/2006	S	V	900	D \$ 19.95	2,363 D
Common Stock	03/23/2006	03/23/2006	S	V	900	D \$ 19.95	1,463 D
Common Stock						6,980 (2)	I 401(k) Account

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12	03/21/2006	03/21/2006	M	V	8,500	02/23/1997 08/23/2006	Common Stock	8,500
2004 Performance Shares	\$ 13.71						05/05/2005 07/14/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9						09/05/1999 03/05/2009	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.5						09/23/2000 03/23/2010	Common Stock	20,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.5						01/13/2003 07/12/2012	Common Stock	1,600
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.7						02/24/2003 08/23/2012	Common Stock	1,080

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH RODGER W JR 200 NORTH CANAL STREET NATCHEZ, MS 391203212			Controller/Treasurer	

Signatures

By: Robert A. Mayfield as
Attorney-in-fact for

03/23/2006

__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) Represents shares withheld by the issuer to (1) pay federal and state income taxes and (2) payment of stock option exercise price.

The number of shares reported is calculated by dividing the total market value of the reporting person's account balance within the Callon

(2) Petroleum Company Employee Savings and Protection Plan (401(k) Plan) on the day prior to this Form 4 reporting date by the closing market price per share on that day.

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