

SULLIVAN MICHAEL J/CO  
Form 5  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SULLIVAN MICHAEL J/CO

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CIMAREX ENERGY CO [XEC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2012

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

C/O CIMAREX ENERGY  
CO, 1700 LINCOLN STREET,  
SUITE 1800

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

DENVER, CO 80203

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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| common stock                    | 09/25/2012                           |  | M5                             | 10,000 A  | \$ 17.22   | 16,369 (1)   | 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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| 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option                               | \$ 17.22   | 09/25/2012                           | Â  | M                              | Â 10,000  | Date Exercisable: 10/01/2005<br>Expiration Date: 10/01/2012 | common stock  | 10,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SULLIVAN MICHAEL J/CO<br>C/O CIMAREX ENERGY CO<br>1700 LINCOLN STREET, SUITE 1800<br>DENVER,Â COÂ 80203 | Â X           | Â         | Â       | Â     |

## Signatures

Thomas A. Richardson,  
attorney-in-fact

01/29/2013

\_\_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).

The shares acquired upon exercise of the option were transferred by Mr. Sullivan to his Family Trust. Following the transfer, Mr. Sullivan (1) indirectly owns through his Family Trust 16,898 shares, indirectly owns 400 shares in an IRA and directly owns 6,369 shares, which include 4,869 shares of restricted stock.

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