

PYR ENERGY CORP
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â RICHARDS JANE M</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>1675 BROADWAY, SUITE 2450</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>DENVER, Â CO Â 80202</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>07/26/2006</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>PYR ENERGY CORP [PYR]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Chief Financial Officer</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

<p>1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)</p>	<p>2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)</p>	<p>3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)</p>	<p>4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)</p>
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

<p>1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)</p>	<p>2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>Date Exercisable Expiration Date</p>	<p>3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)</p> <p>Title Amount or Number of Shares</p>	<p>4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security</p>	<p>5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)</p>	<p>6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)</p>
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(Instr. 5)

Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	07/26/2011	Common Stock	60,000	\$ 1.12	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (2)	04/16/2010	Common Stock	90,000	\$ 1.46	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	11/23/2005	11/23/2010	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 1.34	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RICHARDS JANE M 1675 BROADWAY, SUITE 2450 DENVER,Â COÂ 80202	Â	Â	Â Chief Financial Officer	Â

Signatures

/s/ Jane M.
Richards

07/27/2006

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) 20,000 option shares are exercisable as of the date of grant, July 26, 2006. The remaining 40,000 option shares will vest and become exercisable in two equal annual installments beginning on July 26, 2007.
 - (2) 30,000 option shares vested and became exercisable on April 16, 2006. The remaining 60,000 option shares will vest and become exercisable in two equal annual installments beginning on April 16, 2007.

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