

Darnell Ronald N.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Darnell Ronald N.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

CORPORATE  
HEADQUARTERS, MS 1275

(Street)

ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87158-1275

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PNM RESOURCES INC [PNM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/06/2013

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 below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

SVP, PUBLIC POLICY

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 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	03/06/2013		M		3,749 A <u>(1)</u>	10,788	D
Common Stock <u>(2)</u>	03/06/2013		A		4,670 A <u>(2)</u>	15,458	D
Common Stock <u>(3)</u>	03/06/2013		F		1,199 D \$ 23.09	14,259	D
Common Stock <u>(4)</u>	03/06/2013		F		1,494 D \$ 23.09	12,765	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)

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. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	(5)					(6)	(7)	Common Stock	3,434
Restricted Stock Rights	(8)	03/06/2013		A	2,650	(9)	(9)	Common Stock	2,650

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Darnell Ronald N. CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS MS 1275 ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87158-1275			SVP, PUBLIC POLICY	

## Signatures

Jim Acosta, POA for Ronald N. Darnell  
03/08/2013

\*\*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).
- (1) Represents the portion of a previous award of restricted stock rights that vested effective March 6, 2013.
- (2) The performance shares were earned as of December 31, 2012, as determined effective February 28, 2013.
- (3) Represents shares withheld by PNM Resources, Inc. to satisfy the tax withholding obligations arising in connection with the vesting of the restricted stock rights referenced in (1) above. The company utilizes a modified "share withholding" approach in connection with

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settling awards of restricted stock rights upon vesting, in which it (i) withholds (in cash) the amount required to satisfy the tax withholding obligations and remits such amount to the relevant tax authorities, and (ii) directs a designated broker to purchase on the open market the number of shares of the company's common stock that can be acquired with the after-tax value of the vested restricted stock rights award at the prevailing market price. Only these "net shares" are delivered to the recipient of the award.

Represents shares withheld by PNM Resources, Inc. to satisfy the tax withholding obligations arising in connection with the settlement of the performance share award described in (2) above. The company utilizes a modified "share withholding" approach in connection with settling awards of performance shares, in which it (i) withholds (in cash) the amount required to satisfy the tax withholding obligations and remits such amount to the relevant tax authorities, and (ii) directs a designated broker to purchase on the open market the number of shares of the company's common stock that can be acquired with the after-tax value of the performance share award at the prevailing market price. Only these "net shares" are delivered to the recipient of the performance share award.

- (5) Based on the closing price on the date of the grant.
- (6) The options vest in three equal annual installments from grant date of issuance.
- (7) The options expire 10 years from grant date.
- (8) Each restricted stock right represents a contingent right to receive one share of PNM Resources, Inc. common stock.
- (9) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments, beginning on March 7, 2014. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on the applicable vesting dates (or, if the company is in a blackout period under its insider trading policy on any vesting date, at a later date after such blackout period ends).
- (10) Includes 3,971 shares covered by unvested restricted stock rights that were previously reported in Table I.

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