FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

					or Se	ection	30(n) or the	inve	esimen	t Cor	npany Act	01 1940							
1. Name a		f Reporting Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol QEP RESOURCES, INC. [QEP]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)								
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(Last) (First) (Middle) 1050 17TH STREET, SUITE 800						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									below) "	•		below)	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
						03/17/2021									VP, Controller & CAO				
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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(City) (State) (Zip)																			
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									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Pri		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 03/1					7/2021				D		173,091 ⁽¹⁾ D		(2)(3)	0			D		
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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/Ye	Code	action (Instr.	Der Sec Acc Dis (D)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercise Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		Securities		nd Amount of es Underlying re Security and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Followin Reported Transact	Own Forn Illy Dire or In (I) (II	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Phantom Stock Units	(4)	03/17/2021		D			130,020 ⁽⁴⁾		(4)		(4)	Common	130	,020(4)	(4)	0		D	
Stock Option	\$21.69	03/17/2021		D			12,058	03	3/05/201	8 0	2/12/2022	Common Stock	12	2,058	(5)	0		D	
Stock Option	\$10.12	03/17/2021		D			10,880	03	3/05/201	9 (2/16/2023	Common Stock	10	,880	(5)	0		D	
Stock	\$16.98	03/17/2021		D			10,237		(6)		2/13/2024	Common	1 10	.237	(5)	0		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This amount includes 83,443 shares of common stock of QEP Resources, Inc. ("QEP") subject to restricted stock awards.
- 2. On March 17, 2021, pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger dade as of December 20, 2020 (the "Merger Agreement"), by and among Diamondback Energy, Inc. ("Diamondback"), Bohemia Merger Sub Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Diamondback ("Merger Sub"), and QEP, Merger Sub merged with and into QEP (the "Merger") with QEP surviving the Merger as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Diamondback. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, each share of QEP common stock issued and outstanding immediately prior to the effective time of the Merger (the "Effective Time") (subject to certain exceptions) was converted into the right to receive 0.05 shares of Diamondback common stock (the "Exchange Ratio").
- 3. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, at the Effective Time, any shares of QEP common stock subject to restricted stock awards were converted into a number of time-based restricted shares of Diamondback common stock (rounded to the nearest whole share) equal to the product of (i) the total number of shares of QEP common stock subject to such award immediately prior to the Effective Time multiplied by (ii) the Exchange Ratio
- 4. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, at the Effective Time, each unvested award of performance share units denominated in shares of QEP common stock that was outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time was converted into time-based restricted stock units in respect of that number of shares of Diamondback common stock (rounded to the nearest whole share) equal to the product of (i) the number of shares of QEP common stock subject to such award immediately prior to the Effective Time that would have been earned under the applicable terms of such award based upon the higher of (A) 100% of the target level of performance and (B) actual performance through the closing date (as determined by the compensation committee of QEP's board of directors) multiplied by (ii) the Exchange Ratio.
- 5. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, at the Effective Time, each option to purchase shares of QEP common stock that was outstanding immediately prior to the Effective Time, whether vested or unvested, was cancelled without any payment or other consideration required to be made in respect thereof.
- 6. The option vested in three annual installments beginning on March 5, 2018, subject to accelerated vesting upon the occurrence of certain events as set forth in the award agreement.

Remarks:

/s/ Alice B. Ley

03/17/2021

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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