

BILLINGSLEY LEE T
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BILLINGSLEY LEE T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP
 [AXAS]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
18803 MEISNER DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/05/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP - Exploration

SAN ANTONIO, TX 78258

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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	(D)	Price
ABRAXAS PETROLEUM COMMON STOCK	10/05/2009		A		28,772	A	<u>(1)</u> <u>(3)</u>
ABRAXAS PETROLEUM COMMON STOCK					2,500	I	Retirement Account
ABRAXAS PETROLEUM COMMON STOCK					23,125	I	401-K

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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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 1.75	10/05/2009		A	66,937	10/05/2010 02/05/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock 66,937
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.99					(4) 03/17/2019	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock 50,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 3.6					08/28/2011 08/28/2017	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock 16,540
Employee Stock Option	\$ 4.59					09/13/2009 09/13/2015	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock 50,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.68					04/24/2007 04/24/2013	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock 15,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.65					11/22/2006 11/22/2012	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock 22,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 0.66					03/23/2005 03/23/2011	Abraxas Petroleum Common Stock 15,000

