

Intrepid Potash, Inc.  
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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 \*  
WHYTE JAMES N

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O INTREPID POTASH, INC., 707  
17TH STREET, SUITE 4200  
  
(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Intrepid Potash, Inc. [IPI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/25/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP of HR & Risk Mgmt

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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                    | 02/25/2016                           |  | M                              | 467 A \$ 70,076   |   | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/25/2016                           |  | F                              | 4,632 (2) D \$ 2.12   | 65,444 (3)  | 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. P... Der... Sec... (Ins...) |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                          | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Performance Units (Production)             | (4)  | 02/25/2016                           |  | M                              | 595   | (4)  | (4)   | Common Stock                   | 467                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| WHYTE JAMES N<br>C/O INTREPID POTASH, INC.<br>707 17TH STREET, SUITE 4200<br>DENVER, CO 80202 |               |           | EVP of<br>HR & Risk<br>Mgmt |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Margaret E. McCandless, as attorney-in-fact  
Date: 02/29/2016

\*\*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 shares issued in settlement of vested performance units (production).
- (2) The disposition represents the net share settlement of shares for income tax purposes upon the vesting of previously awarded restricted stock and the vesting and settlement of previously awarded performance units (production).
- (3) Represents 51,057 unrestricted shares of common stock and 14,387 shares of restricted stock.
- (4) Based on the company's actual production results in 2013 as compared to pre-established goals under the award, the compensation committee of the company's board of directors has certified that each performance unit (production) represents the right to receive 78.5% of a share of company common stock, subject to the award's vesting terms. The award was originally granted on February 25, 2013, and vested in three equal annual installments beginning on February 25, 2014, subject to the reporting person's continued employment with the company through the vesting date.

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