

Curth Patrick J  
Form 4  
September 13, 2012

**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 \*  
Curth Patrick J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc.  
[LPI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
15 W. SIXTH STREET, SUITE 1800  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/12/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior VP - Exploration & Land

TULSA, OK 74119

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

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 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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                             |   |
| Common Stock                    | 09/12/2012                           |                                                    | S                              | 8,500                                                             | D                                                                                             | 22.88                                                    | 234,493                           | D |
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   |                                                                                               |                                                          | \$<br>(1)                         |   |

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)**

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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/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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | Date Exercisable                                         | Expiration Date                                               | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                         |
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                         | Code                                                     | V                                                             | (A)                                        | (D)                                                |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|                                                                      | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| Curth Patrick J<br>15 W. SIXTH STREET, SUITE 1800<br>TULSA, OK 74119 |               |           | Senior VP - Exploration & Land |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Kenneth E. Dornblaser, as attorney-in-fact for Patrick J. Curth 09/13/2012

\*\*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) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$22.74 to \$22.95, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Laredo Petroleum Holdings, Inc. ("Laredo"), any security holder of Laredo, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.

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