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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Thom Tiffany J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

EPL OIL & GAS, INC. [EPL] (Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(Middle)

(Zip)

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

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O EPL OIL & GAS, INC., 201 ST. 01/07/2013

(Street)

(State)

(First)

below)

CHARLES AVENUE, STE 3400

Senior Vice President & CFO

Applicable Line)

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

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70170

		Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, of Deficiency Owned									
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of				
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onAcquired (A) or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect				
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial				
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership				
		•			Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)				
					Reported						
				(A)	Transaction(s)						
				or	(Instr. 3 and 4)						
			Code V	Amount (D) Pric	e ` ′						
Common	01/07/2013		A	$\frac{2,952}{2}$ A (2)	30,334	D					
Stock (1)				(2) $A \subseteq \mathcal{I}$,						
Common Stock					290	I	401 (k) Plan				

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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	Exercise any ce of (Month/rivative		4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.25	01/07/2013		A	16,931	<u>(3)</u>	01/07/2023	Common Stock	16,931

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Thom Tiffany J C/O EPL OIL & GAS, INC. 201 ST. CHARLES AVENUE, STE 3400 NEW ORLEANS, LA 70170

Senior Vice President & CFO

Signatures

David Cedro, Attorney

**Signature of Reporting Person

in Fact 01/11/2013

Explanation of Responses:

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

Date

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- Shares of restricted stock granted on January 7, 2013 under the Issuer's 2009 Long Term Incentive Plan, as amended. The restricted
 (1) shares are subject to customary transfer restrictions and risk of forfeiture provisions, which lapse in one-third increments on the first three anniversaries of the Date of Grant.
- Consistent with the provisions of the Issuer's 2009 Long Term Incentive Plan, the grantee did not pay any consideration to the Issuer for (2) the restricted shares that were granted. By way of reference, the closing price per share of the Issuer's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange on January 7, 2013 was \$23.25.
- (3) The stock options were granted under the Issuer's 2009 Long Term Incentive Plan and will vest and become exercisable in one-third increments on the first three anniversaries of the Date of Grant.

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