

Hartzell Stephen
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Hartzell Stephen

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HOUSTON AMERICAN ENERGY CORP [HUSA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 801 TRAVIS STREET, SUITE 1425
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/06/2017

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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

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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | 56,000 | 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)

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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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 2.05 | | | | | 12/09/2009 | 06/09/2019 | Common Stock | 6,660 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 14.08 | | | | | 12/15/2010 | 06/15/2020 | Common Stock | 25,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 16.07 | | | | | 12/13/2011 | 06/13/2021 | Common Stock | 25,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 1.65 | | | | | 12/11/2012 | 06/11/2022 | Common Stock | 100,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 0.3075 | | | | | 12/11/2013 | 06/11/2023 | Common Stock | 25,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 0.415 | | | | | 12/10/2014 | 06/10/2024 | Common Stock | 50,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 0.2028 | | | | | 12/09/2015 | 06/09/2025 | Common Stock | 50,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 0.2201 | | | | | 12/07/2016 | 06/07/2026 | Common Stock | 50,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 0.2201 | | | | | 06/07/2017 | 06/07/2026 | Common Stock | 150,000 |

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|--------------------------------------|----------|------------|---|--------|---------------------------|------------|-----------------|--------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 0.485 | 09/06/2017 | A | 50,000 | 03/06/2018 ⁽¹⁾ | 09/06/2027 | Common Stock | 50,000 |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Hartzell Stephen 801 TRAVIS STREET, SUITE 1425 HOUSTON, TX 77002 | | | X | |

Signatures

Stephen Hartzell 09/08/2017

__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 options were granted on September 6, 2017 and are exercisable six months from the date of grant, subject to vesting. The options vest 20% on the date of grant and 80% nine months from the grant date.

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