

PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br>Â Latch Charles W<br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><br>1000 LOUISIANA,Â SUITE 5600<br>(Street)<br><br>HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 77002<br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>11/07/2007 | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>PETROHAWK ENERGY CORP [HK] | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br><br>(Check all applicable)<br><br><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br>(give title below) (specify below)<br>Sr VP - Western Region | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Common Stock                       | 43,836   | D   | Â  |
| Common Stock                       | 781  | I   | Through 401(k)   |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
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