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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Lauck Lance</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 3000 (Street) DENVER CO 80203 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>PDC ENERGY, INC. [PDCE]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>EVP, Corp. Dev. & Strategy</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/26/2021	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/26/2021		M		2,645	A	\$30.19	169,497	D	
Common Stock	08/26/2021		M		2,645	A	\$30.19	172,142	D	
Common Stock	08/26/2021		M		2,645	A	\$30.19	174,787	D	
Common Stock	08/26/2021		D		6,089 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$39.34	168,698	D	
Common Stock	08/26/2021		F		811 ⁽²⁾	D	\$39.34	167,887	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$30.19	08/26/2021		M			2,645	01/16/2013	01/16/2022	Common Stock	2,645	\$0	0	D	
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$30.19	08/26/2021		M			2,645	01/16/2014	01/16/2022	Common Stock	2,645	\$0	0	D	
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$30.19	08/26/2021		M			2,645	01/16/2015	01/16/2022	Common Stock	2,645	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Includes 6,089 shares representing the deemed exercise price.
- 2. Includes 811 shares surrendered to issuer to cover tax withholding obligation of the reporting person.

/s/ Nicole L. Martinet, by 08/30/2021
power of attorney

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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