Martinet Nicole L Form 4 February 22, 2019

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Martinet Nicole L Issuer Symbol PDC ENERGY, INC. [PDCE] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify 1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 02/20/2019 below) 3000 SVP, General Counsel & Sec. (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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| (City)          | (State) (A          | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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                                                               | TransactionAcquired (A) or |                     |           | r     | Securities       | Form: Direct | Indirect          |  |
| (Instr. 3)      |                     | any                                                                              | Code                       | 1 '                 |           |       | Beneficially     | (D) or       | Beneficial        |  |
|                 |                     | (Month/Day/Year)                                                                 | (Instr. 8)                 | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |           |       | Owned            | Indirect (I) | Ownership         |  |
|                 |                     |                                                                                  |                            |                     |           |       | Following        | (Instr. 4)   | (Instr. 4)        |  |
|                 |                     |                                                                                  |                            |                     | (4)       |       | Reported         |              |                   |  |
|                 |                     |                                                                                  |                            |                     | (A)       |       | Transaction(s)   |              |                   |  |
|                 |                     |                                                                                  | Code V                     | Amount              | or<br>(D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |                   |  |
| Common<br>Stock | 02/20/2019          |                                                                                  | A                          | 8,249<br>(1)        | A         | \$0   | 17,387           | D            |                   |  |
| Common<br>Stock |                     |                                                                                  |                            |                     |           |       | 264 (2)          | I            | By 401(k)<br>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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(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<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title                                                         | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Performance<br>Share Units                          | <u>(3)</u>                                                            | 02/20/2019                           |                                                             | A                                      | 8,249                                                                                   | (3)                                                      | 12/31/2021         | Common<br>Stock                                               | 8,249                                  |

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Martinet Nicole L 1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 3000 DENVER, CO 80203

SVP, General Counsel & Sec.

## **Signatures**

/s/ Nicole L. 02/22/2019 Martinet

\*\*Signature of
Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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- \*\* 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 restricted stock units were acquired pursuant to the PDC Energy, Inc. Amended and Restated 2010 Long-Term Equity Compensation Plan and will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 20, 2020.
- (2) 401(k) Plan holdings as of February 21, 2019.
  - Each performance share unit represents a contingent right to receive 0-200% of that number in shares of Company common stock. The amount reported represents the "target" number. The performance shares units vest upon continued employment and achievement of
- (3) specified metrics compared to certain peers, as measured in December of 2021 and as described in the related grant agreement. Participant also holds additional previously awarded performance shares/rights and performance share units, all subject to different future vesting and performance criteria.

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