LARSEN KEITH G Form 4

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### FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** LARSEN KEITH G |         |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>US ENERGY CORP [USEG] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)                             |  |  |
|---|---------|----------|---|--|--|--|
| (Last)  | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction   | (  |  |  |
| 877 N 8TH ST W  |         |          | (Month/Day/Year)<br>04/01/2009  | X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) CHAIRMAN & CEO                       |  |  |
| (Street)  |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date Original  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  |  |  |
| RIVERTON, WY 82501  |         |          | Filed(Month/Day/Year)   | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |

| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip) <b>Tab</b> l  | le I - Non-I                 | Derivative   | Secur | ities Ac  | quired, Disposed | of, or Benefici                                       | ally Owned                |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|------------------------------|--|-------|---|------------------|---|---------------------------|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8)              | 4. Securities Acquired for(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or |       | 5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) |                  | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |                           |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 04/01/2009                              |   | Code V $A_{\underline{(1)}}$ | Amount 5,000   | (D)   | Price \$ 1.85   | 274,335          | D (2)   |                           |
| Common<br>Stock                      |   |   |                              |  |       |   | 80,242           | I (3)   | By Esop                   |
| Common<br>Stock                      |   |   |                              |  |       |   | 148,284          | I (4)   | By<br>Immediate<br>Family |
| Common<br>Stock                      |   |   |                              |  |       |   | 466,513          | I (5)   | Family<br>Trust           |

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)

| 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<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |                     |                    | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                                  |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|----------------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 2.52   |   |   |  |   | 09/22/2009          | 09/21/2018         | Common<br>Stock   | 75,000                           |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)                        | \$ 4.97   |   |   |  |   | 01/01/2008          | 07/26/2017         | Common<br>Stock   | 150,000                          |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)               | \$ 3.86   |   |   |  |   | 10/14/2005          | 10/13/2015         | Common<br>Stock   | 100,000                          |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)               | \$ 2.46   |   |   |  |   | 07/01/2004          | 06/30/2014         | Common<br>Stock   | 59,350                           |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)               | \$ 2.25   |   |   |  |   | 08/08/2002          | 12/07/2011         | Common<br>Stock   | 52,556                           |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy)               | \$ 3.9  |   |   |  |   | 12/07/2001          | 12/06/2011         | Common<br>Stock   | 100,000                          |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to                       | \$ 2.4  |   |   |  |   | 01/10/2001          | 01/09/2011         | Common<br>Stock   | 267,734                          |

Buy)

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LARSEN KEITH G 877 N 8TH ST W RIVERTON, WY 82501

CHAIRMAN & CEO

### **Signatures**

/s/ Robert Scott Lorimer, attorney-in-fact

04/01/2009

\*\*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).
- Shares issured to the Reporting Person under the USE 2001 Stock Compensation Plan. The issuance of these shares is for the funding obligation under the plan for the second quarter of the calendar year ending December 31, 2009. The issuer has agreed under the terms of the Plan to pay all taxes due. The Reporting Person has agreed not to sell these shares to the market or pledge them on obligations until after his (i) retirement; (ii) total disability or (iii) in the case of the death of the Reporting Person his estate may sell the shares of stock.
- (2) Includes shares held directly by the Reporting Person.
- (3) Shares held in the U.S. Energy Corp. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (the 'ESOP') in an account established for the benefit of the Reporting Person.
- (4) Includes shares held in ESOP accounts established to benefit members of the Reporting Persons 'Immediate Family', as that term is defined in Rule 16a-1(e), in accordance with Rule 16a-8(b)(2).
- (5) As a result of the settlement of Mr. John L. Larsen's Estate, 466,513 shares of U.S. Energy common stock were put into a Family Trust. Keith Larsen is John L. Larsen's son and serves as the Co-Trustee of a Family Trust.
- (6) Stock options granted under the Issuer's 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan which vest in three (3) equal annual installments beginning September 22, 2009.
- (7) Stock options granted under the Issuer's 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan with a 5 year vesting schedule and exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (8) Includes stock options granted under the Issuer's 2001 Incentive Stock Option Plan and exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (9) Includes stock options granted under the Issuer's 1998 Incentive Stock Option Plan and exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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