

Ottaviani William L
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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 *
 Ottaviani William L

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 160 MEADOWVIEW DRIVE
 (Street)

STATE COLLEGE, PA 16801

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ZION OIL & GAS INC [ZN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/30/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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 Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Derivative Securities
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 0.01	09/30/2011	A	2,500 <u>(1)</u>					<u>(1)</u>	01/31/2020	Common Stock Par Value \$0.01	2,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ottaviani William L 160 MEADOWVIEW DRIVE STATE COLLEGE, PA 16801	X		President/COO	

Signatures

Brittany Russell AIF for William L.
 Ottaviani 10/04/2011

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) The options were granted under the Company's 2005 Stock Option Plan. Pursuant to the Reporting Person's employment agreement with the company, at the end of each calendar quarter, beginning with the quarter ended March 31, 2010, the Reporting Person is entitled to fully vested options at a per share exercise price of \$0.01 to purchase such number of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), as shall equal \$12,500 divided by the closing price on the last trading day of the respective calendar quarter of the Company's publicly traded share of Common Stock, but in no event less than \$5.00 per share. The closing of Market price on September 30, 2011 was \$1.96; therefore the number of option shares is based on \$5.00.

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