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| July 01, 2015   |   |                                    |   |                  |  |   | B APPROVAL  |  |  |
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| (Print or Type Respor   | nses)   |                                    |   |                  |  |   |   |  |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u><br>Beatty Brian A  |   | Symbol<br>SAExplor                 | SAExploration Holdings, Inc.  |                  |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer<br>(Check all applicable) |   |  |  |
| (Last) (  | First) (Middle)   | [SAEX]                             | arliest Transaction   |                  | X Director   |   | _ 10% Owner   |  |  |
| 3333 8TH STRE<br>FLOOR  |   | (Month/Day<br>06/29/201            | /Year)  |                  |  |   | Other (specify  |  |  |
| (CALGARY, A0  | Street)<br>T2G 3A4  | 4. If Amend<br>Filed(Month         | ment, Date Origina<br>/Day/Year)  | .1               | 6. Individual of<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed b<br>Form filed b<br>Person |   | ng Person   |  |  |
| (City) (a   | State) (Zip)  | Table I                            | - Non-Derivative  | Securities A     |  | l of, or Benef  | icially Owned   |  |  |
| Security (Mon<br>(Instr. 3)   | any   | on Date, if T<br>C<br>Day/Year) (I | . 4. Securi<br>ransactionAcquired<br>ode Disposed<br>nstr. 8) (Instr. 3,  | (A) or<br>of (D) | Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported                       | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4)    | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)                 |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock   |   |                                    |   |                  | 510,000  | D   |   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock   |   |                                    |   |                  | 1,196,846  | I   | Through dispositive and voting control of Seismic Management Holdings, Inc. $(1)$ |  |  |

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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. Number of<br>orDerivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                     |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units (2)                    | <u>(3)</u>  | 06/29/2015                              |   | А                                      | 37,698   | <u>(4)</u>   | 06/29/2017         | Common<br>Stock   | 37,698                              |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) <u>(6)</u>     | \$ 4.12   | 06/29/2015                              |   | А                                      | 77,327   | (7)  | 06/29/2025         | Common<br>Stock   | 77,327                              |

## **Reporting Owners**

| <b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>                                  | Relationships |           |                   |       |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |  |  |
| Beatty Brian A<br>3333 8TH STREET SE, 3RD FLOOR<br>CALGARY, A0 T2G 3A4 | Х             | Х         | CEO and President |       |  |  |

# Signatures

/s/ Brian A. Beatty 07/01/2015 \*\*Signature of Date Reporting Person

### **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).
- (1) Seismic Management Holdings, Inc. ("Seismic Holdings") is a corporation formed under the laws of the Province of Alberta, Canada, and is wholly owned by Seismic Management, LLP, which is an Alaska limited liability partnership controlled by the Reporting Person and his wife, Sheri L. Beatty. The acquisition of the shares held by Seismic Holdings was previously reported on June 24, 2013 following the

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Issuer's merger.

- (2) The restricted stock units were issued pursuant to the SAExploration Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") 2013 Long Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") on June 29, 2015.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, upon vesting, either (i) a share of Common Stock of the Company or (ii) an amount of cash equal to the value of a share of the Company's Common Stock on the date of transfer.
- (4) The restricted stock units will vest 1/3 on the date which is 90 days after the issuance and 1/3 each on the first and second anniversaries of the grant.
- (5) The number of shares of restricted stock units issued was determined based on 4.12 per share, which is the greater of 4.12 and the 3.40 closing price of the Company's common stock on June 29, 2015.
- (6) The stock options were issued pursuant to the Company's Plan on June 29, 2015.

The stock option becomes exercisable as follows: (i) 1/3 of the Option becomes exercisable after 90 days of continuous "Service" (as defined in the Plan) from the date of the grant; (ii) 1/3 of the Option becomes exercisable after 12 months of continuous Service from the

- (7) Date of Grant; and (iii) the remaining 1/3 of the Option becomes exercisable after 24 months of continuous Service from the date of thegrant.
- (8) The exercise price of the option is \$4.12 per share, which is the greater of \$4.12 and the \$3.40 closing price of the Company's common stock on June 29, 2015.

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