

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Leon Francisco</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>9200 OAKDALE AVENUE</u> <u>SUITE 900</u> (Street) <u>LOS ANGELES</u> <u>CA</u> <u>91311</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/22/2018</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>California Resources Corp [CRC]</u> 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <u>X</u> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>EVP Corp Dev & Strategic Plng</u> 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <u>X</u> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>24,781⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>D</u>	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
<u>Restricted Stock Unit</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>16,358⁽²⁾</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>D</u>	
<u>Employee Stock Option (right to buy)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>02/20/2025</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>7,486⁽³⁾</u>	<u>20.17</u>	<u>D</u>	
<u>2015 Stock Option</u>	<u>(4)</u>	<u>08/04/2022</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>4,334</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>D</u>	
<u>2014 Stock Option</u>	<u>(5)</u>	<u>11/30/2021</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>3,536</u>	<u>81.1</u>	<u>D</u>	

Explanation of Responses:
1. The amount reported includes the following pursuant to the California Resources Corporation (CRC) Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP): (1) 775 Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) granted on August 15, 2015 which will vest on August 4, 2018, (2) 5,833 RSUs granted on May 27, 2016 which will vest 1/2 each on May 26, 2018 and 2019, (3) 7,088 RSUs granted on February 13, 2017 which will vest 1/2 each on February 12, 2019 and 2020, and (4) 3,896 RSUs granted on August 1, 2017 which will vest on July 30, 2020.
2. The amount reported consists of RSUs granted on February 21, 2018 which will vest 1/3 each on February 20, 2019, 2020, and 2021, and will be settled 60% in shares of CRC common stock and 40% in cash, pursuant to CRC's LTIP.
3. The Stock Options will vest in three equal installments beginning February 20, 2019, 2020 and 2021.
4. The Stock Options became exercisable as to 1,444 shares on August 4, 2016, and 1,445 shares on August 4, 2017, and becomes exercisable as to the remaining 1,445 shares on August 4, 2018.
5. The Stock Options became exercisable as to 1,178 shares on November 30, 2015, and 1,179 shares each on November 30, 2016 and November 30, 2017.

Remarks:

/s/ Ulrik Damborg, Attorney-in-Fact for
Francisco Leon
** Signature of Reporting Person

03/02/2018
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 5 (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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by those present, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Michael L. Preston, Jody L. Johnson and Ulrik Damborg, signing singly, the undersigned to:

1. Execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of California Resources Corporation (the "Company");
2. Do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 and 5 and Form 144;
3. Execute for and on behalf of the undersigned a Form ID (including amendments thereto), or any other forms prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any other governmental agency;
4. Take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of the undersigned.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, convenient or proper in connection with the foregoing, and to execute and deliver all instruments, contracts, documents and papers, and to do all things and execute all acts and things which such attorney-in-fact may deem necessary, proper or expedient to carry out the foregoing.

The undersigned agrees that the attorney-in-fact may rely entirely on information furnished orally or in writing by or at the direction of the undersigned to the attorney-in-fact.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 or Form 144 with respect to the undersigned's securities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 21st day of February, 2018.

/s/ Francisco Leon
Francisco Leon