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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A  
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 4)\*

RING ENERGY, INC.  
(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$0.001 PER SHARE  
(Title of Class of Securities)

76680V108  
(CUSIP Number)

**Dr. Simon G. Kukes**  
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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person  
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

**November 10, 2020**  
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box.

**Note:** Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See §240.13d-7 for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

\* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS Dr. Simon G. Kukes		
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (b) <input type="checkbox"/>		
3	SEC USE ONLY		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS PF		
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) or 2(e) <input type="checkbox"/>		
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION United States Citizen		
	7	SOLE VOTING POWER 6,600,180 shares of Common Stock	
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER -0-	
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 6,600,180 shares of Common Stock	
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER -0-	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 6,600,180 shares of Common Stock		
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable.		
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 9.7% of the Issuer's outstanding Common Stock(1)		
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IN		

(1) Based on the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock set forth in the Issuer's Form 424(b)(5) Prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 29, 2020.

1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS J. Douglas Schick		
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (b) <input type="checkbox"/>		
3	SEC USE ONLY		
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS PF		
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) or 2(e) <input type="checkbox"/>		
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION United States Citizen		
	7	SOLE VOTING POWER 7,500 shares of Common Stock	
	8	SHARED VOTING POWER -0-	
	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 7,500 shares of Common Stock	
	10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER -0-	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 7,500 shares of Common Stock		
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable		
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) *% of the Issuer's outstanding Common Stock (1)		
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IN		

\* Less than 0.1%.

(1) Based on the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock set forth in the Issuer's Form 424(b)(5) Prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 29, 2020.

This Amendment No. 3 (the "Amendment") amends and supplements the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on October 21, 2019, by Dr. Simon G. Kukes, Mr. John J. Scelfo (no longer a member of the Reporting Group), Mr. Ivar Siem (no longer a member of the Reporting Group), and Mr. J. Douglas Schick, as amended by Amendment No. 1 thereto filed on February 18, 2020 ("Amendment No. 1"), Amendment No. 2 thereto filed on March 2, 2020 ("Amendment No. 2") and Amendment No. 3 thereto filed on August 12, 2020 ("Amendment No. 3") and the Schedule 13D, as amended to date, the "Schedule 13D".

Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined in this Amendment have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Schedule 13D. Except as expressly amended and supplemented by this Amendment, the Schedule 13D is not amended or supplemented in any respect, and the disclosures set forth in the Schedule 13D, other than as amended herein are incorporated by reference herein.

## Item 2. Identity and Background

(a) This statement is filed by:

- (i) Dr. Simon G. Kukes ("Kukes"). Kukes is the Chief Executive Officer and a member of the Board of Directors of PEDEVCO Corp. ("PEDEVCO"); and
- (ii) Mr. J. Douglas Schick ("Schick"). Schick is the President of PEDEVCO and the Chief Executive Officer of American Resources, Inc.

Each of Kukes and Schick are referred to herein as a "Reporting Person" and collectively as the "Reporting Persons".

(b) The principal business address of Kukes and Schick is 575 N. Dairy Ashford, Energy Center II, Suite 210, Houston, Texas 77079.

(c) The principal occupation of:

(i) Kukes is the Chief Executive Officer of PEDEVCO, an oil and gas exploration and development company, which has the principal business address set forth above under Item 2(b); and

(ii) Schick is the President of PEDEVCO, an oil and gas exploration and development company, which has the principal business address set forth above under Item 2(b)(i). Schick is also the Chief Executive Officer of American Resources, Inc. an oil and gas investment, development and operating company focused on acquisition of underexploited, distressed and/or undervalued oil and gas assets and companies, which has the principal business address set forth above under Item 2(b).

(d) The Reporting Persons have not, during the last five years, been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors).

(e) The Reporting Persons have not, during the last five years, been party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

(f) Kukes and Schick are citizens of the United States.

## Item 3. Source of Amount of Funds or Other Compensation

*Item 3 is hereby amended and modified as follows:*

The Reporting Persons beneficially own an aggregate of 6,607,680 shares of Common Stock (the "Shares"), all of which were purchased by the Reporting Persons in open market transactions, for an aggregate of approximately \$13.3 million.

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The source of funding for the purchase of the Common Stock held by the Reporting Persons was the personal funds of the respective purchasers.

#### **Item 4. Purpose of Transaction**

On March 2, 2020, the Reporting Persons issued a press release, a copy of which is incorporated by reference herein as Exhibit 99.2 hereto, which included a letter to the Board of Directors of the Issuer. The full text of the press release is incorporated into this Item 4 by reference.

On August 10, 2020, the Reporting Persons delivered another letter to the Board of Directors of the Issuer (the "Letter"). Pursuant to the Letter, in accordance with the provisions of the Issuer's Bylaws (and not pursuant to the SEC's Rule 14a-8) they nominated more than a dozen individuals as candidates for the board of the Issuer (the "Board").

The Reporting Persons believe that in the past there may have been failures of corporate governance by the Board of the Issuer and that these failures may have contributed to the catastrophic fall in the Issuer's stock price.

The Reporting Persons seek to improve the quality of the Issuer's Board. The Reporting Persons believe that a newly reconstituted Board that includes some of their nominees will better serve the interests of all of the Issuer's shareholders.

The Reporting Persons sought to avoid an expensive and distracting proxy contest. For this reason, the Reporting Persons were prepared to reach a reasonable compromise with the incumbent Board.

On November 10, 2020, the Reporting Persons filed a press release calling upon their fellow shareholders to withhold votes on all members of the Issuer's Board of Directors in the upcoming election and to encourage the proxy advisory firms to do a detailed investigation of the incumbent Board members. The full text of the November 10, 2020 press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.3 and incorporated herein by reference.

The Reporting Persons acquired the Shares in the belief that the Shares were undervalued. The Reporting Persons have spoken to, and intend to continue to speak with, representatives of the Issuer's Board and management to discuss enhancing shareholder value and the potential for undertaking transactions which the Reporting Persons believe will be beneficial to stockholders of the Issuer, including the requested appointment of new members of the Board of the Issuer and the requested withholding (by shareholders of the Issuer) of votes for the Issuer's Board of Directors, as described above.

The Reporting Persons are considering all of their options, and while they have no present plan to do so (except as otherwise disclosed in this Item 4), they reserve the right and are considering whether to propose other transactions which relate to or would result in one or more of the actions specified in clauses (a) through (f) or (j) (as relates to (a) through (f)) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D. The Reporting persons have no present plan to propose any transaction which relates or would result in one or more of the actions specified in clauses (g) through (i) or (j) (as relates to (g) through (i)) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D.

The Reporting Persons may, from time to time and at any time: (i) acquire additional Shares and/or other equity, debt, notes, instruments or other securities of the Issuer and/or its affiliates (collectively, "Securities") in the open market or otherwise; (ii) dispose of any or all of their Securities in the open market or otherwise; or (iii) engage in any hedging or similar transactions with respect to the Securities.

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**Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer**

- (a) As of the close of business on November 9, 2020, the Reporting Persons together beneficially own in aggregate 6,607,680 shares of Common Stock representing 9.7% of the 68,439,720 shares of the Issuer's issued and outstanding Common Stock, based on the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock set forth in the Issuer's Form 424(b)(5) Prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 29, 2020.
- (b) Kukes has the sole power to vote and dispose of 6,600,180 shares of Common Stock reported in this Schedule 13D beneficially owned by Kukes; and Schick has the sole power to vote and dispose of 7,500 shares of Common Stock reported in this Schedule 13D beneficially owned by Schick
- (c) No Reporting Person has affected any transaction relating to the Shares during the past sixty (60) days.
- (d) No other person has the right to receive or the power to vote or to direct the vote, or to dispose or direct the disposition, of sale of the securities beneficially owned by the Reporting Persons as described in Item 5(a), above.
- (e) N/A.

**Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
<a href="#">99.1</a>	Joint Filing Agreement by and among Dr. Simon G. Kukes and Mr. J. Douglas Schick dated August 12, 2020 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the original October 18, 2019 Schedule 13D filing)
<a href="#">99.2</a>	Press Release dated March 2, 2020 (Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to Amendment No. 2 filed on March 2, 2020)
<a href="#">99.3*</a>	Press Release dated November 10, 2020

\* Attached hereto.

Signatures

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: November 10, 2020

/s/ Dr. Simon G. Kukes

**Dr. Simon G. Kukes**

Dated: November 10, 2020

/s/ Mr. J. Douglas Schick

**Mr. J. Douglas Schick**

The original statement shall be signed by each person on whose behalf the statement is filed or his authorized representative. If the statement is signed on behalf of a person by his authorized representative (other than an executive officer or general partner of the filing person), evidence of the representative's authority to sign on behalf of such person shall be filed with the statement: provided, however, that a power of attorney for this purpose which is already on file with the Commission may be incorporated by reference. The name and any title of each person who signs the statement shall be typed or printed beneath his signature.

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**Large Ring Energy Shareholders Call for Withhold Votes on all Members of the Board of Directors**

HOUSTON, TX, November 10, 2020 /PRNewswire/-- American Resources, Inc., and SK Energy LLC, the investment vehicle of Dr. Simon Kukes, one of the largest shareholders of Ring Energy, Inc., announced today that they are calling upon their fellow shareholders to withhold votes on all members of Ring Energy's Board of Directors in the upcoming election.

Someone who purchased shares in Ring Energy five years ago has seen the value of those shares fall by more than 90%. It appears that Ring Energy may have unofficially adopted a policy of having incumbent members of the Board select new members of the board from their personal network instead of allowing shareholders to have a say in the Board selection process.

The Company's dismal stock price performance coupled with the Board's apparent lack of independence raises the question whether the incumbent members of the Ring Energy Board have violated their fiduciary duties of care and loyalty to the Company and its shareholders.

SK Energy and American Resources encourage each and every shareholder of Ring Energy to examine the behavior of the incumbent Board and make an independent decision whether duties have been violated. In addition, SK Energy and American Resources encourage the proxy advisory firms to also do a detailed investigation of the incumbent Board members.

A successful withhold votes campaign against the incumbent Board members may persuade the Board to change its behavior.

**About American Resources, Inc.**

American Resources, Inc. ("ARI") is a Houston, Texas based oil and gas investment, development and operating company focused on acquisition of underexploited, distressed and/or undervalued oil and gas assets and companies where ARI believes its involvement can add value. ARI strives to maximize value through active management of assets and/or board level participation in its corporate investments.

**About Dr. Kukes and SK Energy LLC**

Dr. Simon Kukes is a globally-renowned consultant for oil and gas businesses in both the United States and Russia. He has held various positions over the years, including the principal of his personal investment company, SK Energy LLC, since April 2013, and currently is the largest shareholder, CEO and director of PEDEVCO Corp., an NYSE-listed oil and gas company active in the Permian and D-J Basins. Dr. Kukes boasts several awards and achievements over his lifespan and his commitment to the oil and gas industry has inspired him to publish more than 60 scientific papers and two books on the oil and gas industry of Russia and the United States. Dr. Kukes is also the holder of more than 130 patents, primarily in Oil and Petrochemical Processing.

**About Ring Energy, Inc.**

Founded in 2012, Ring Energy is a Midland, Texas-based oil and gas exploration, development and production company with current operations in the Permian Basin of West Texas and is recognized as the top producing oil basin in North America.

SOURCE: SK Energy LLC and American Resources, Inc.

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