FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Lambert Joel Christian | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Crestwood Equity Partners LP</u> [CEQP] | (Check | tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director Officer (give title | son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify | |
|--|---------------------|--|--|-------------------------|---|---|--|
| (Last) 700 LOUISIAN SUITE 2550 | 00 LOUISIANA STREET | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/05/2017 | X | below) SVP - General | below) | |
| (Street) HOUSTON TX 77002 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indivi Line) X | idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More that Person | orting Person | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | Date | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | Securities Beneficially | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|------------|---|-----------------------------|---|--|---------------|--------|------------------------------------|---|---|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1130. 4) |
| Common Units | 01/05/2017 | | Α | | 30,382 ⁽¹⁾ | Α | \$0.00 | 82,025 | D | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transa Code (8) | | of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (D | r osed) r. 3, 4 | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------|--|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Phantom Units | (2) | | | | | | | (3) | (3) | Common Units | 14,427.1691 | | 14,427.1691 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Restricted units granted under the Crestwood Equity Partners LP Long Term Incentive Plan, as amended. The restricted units vest at the rate of 33.33% on each anniversary of the grant date.

2. Each phantom unit is the economic equivalent of one common unit representing a limited partnership interest in CEQP.

3. The forfeiture restrictions on the phantom units shall lapse, and the phantom units shall vest and convert to an equal number of common units on the third (3rd) anniversary of the grant date.

/s/ Judy Riddle, attorney-in-fact

for Joel C. Lambert ** Signature of Reporting Person

erson Date

01/06/2017

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 4 (b)(v).

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