## FORM 4

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Instruction 1(b)

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup><br>Lambert Joel Christian |         |          | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>Crestwood Equity Partners LP</u> [ CEQP ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner |  |                       |  |  |
|--|---------|----------|--|--|--|-----------------------|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>700 LOUISIANA STREET<br>SUITE 2550                  |         | (Middle) |  | Х  | Officer (give title below)                               | Other (specify below) |  |  |
|  |         | (midule) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>02/07/2017                                     |  | SVP - General Counsel                                    |                       |  |  |
| (Street)   |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)   | 6. Indivi  | dual or Joint/Group Filing (Ch                           |                       |  |  |
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## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Transaction<br>Code (Instr. |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |               |       | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|--|---------------|-------|---|----------------|---|
|                                 |  | Code                        | v | Amount   | (A) or<br>(D) | Price | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |                | (   |
| Common Units                    |  |                             |   |  |               |       | 77,455 <sup>(1)</sup>   | D              |   |

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<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |     | 6. Date ExerciSable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|---|-----|--|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)   | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |   | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4)                                       |  |  |
| Phantom<br>Units                                    | (2)   | 02/07/2017                                 |   | Α                            |   | 329.1369 <sup>(3)</sup>   |     | (4)  | (4)                | Common<br>Units  | 329.1369                         | \$0.00  | 14,756.306   | D  |  |

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes restricted units granted under the Crestwood Equity Partners LP Long Term Incentive Plan, as amended.

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

3. Represents additional Phantom Units received by the Reporting Person pursuant to the terms of previously granted Distribution Equivalent Rights. Each Distribution Equivalent Right entitles the Reporting Person to additional Phantom Units with a value equal to the amount of distributions paid on each of CEQP's common units. On February 14, 2017, CEQP will pay a quarterly cash distribution to holders of its common units in an amount equal to \$0.60 per common unit. Pursuant to the terms of the Distribution Equivalent Rights, the Reporting Person receives a number of additional Phantom Units in respect of each Distribution Equivalent Right with a value (based on the closing price of CEQP's common units on the record date (\$26.30) equal to the per unit amount of the distribution.

4. 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.

### **Remarks:**

#### <u>/s/ Judy Riddle, attorney-in-fact</u> for Joel C. Lambert

<u>02/08/2017</u> Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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