

Tallgrass Energy Partners, LP  
Form 8-K  
April 10, 2014

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)**  
**of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): April 9, 2014**

**Tallgrass Energy Partners, LP**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction**  
**of Incorporation or Organization)**

**001-35917**  
**(Commission**  
**File Number)**

**46-1972941**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
**Identification No.)**

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**6640 W. 143rd Street, Suite 200**

**Overland Park, Kansas**  
**(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

**66223**  
**(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (913) 928-6060**

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

Effective April 9, 2014, the Board of Directors (the Board) of Tallgrass MLP GP, LLC (the General Partner), the general partner of Tallgrass Energy Partners, LP (the Partnership), appointed Gary D. Watkins as Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer and the principal accounting officer of the General Partner. Effective simultaneously with Mr. Watkins' appointment, Gary J. Brauchle will no longer serve as the principal accounting officer of the General Partner, but will continue to serve as the principal financial officer.

Mr. Watkins, age 42, previously served as Vice President, Controller and principal accounting officer of DCP Midstream Partners, LP and DCP Midstream, LLC from May 2011 until April 2014. Prior to that, Mr. Watkins had held the positions of Senior Director Marketing Accounting and Director of Corporate Accounting with DCP Midstream, LLC. Prior to joining DCP Midstream, LLC in November 2004, Mr. Watkins held various positions of increasing responsibility at Advanced Energy Industries, Inc. Mr. Watkins also served in the Denver offices of Arthur Andersen LLP and KPMG LLP from 1996 through 2002.

Mr. Watkins does not have an employment agreement with the General Partner or the Partnership. In connection with his appointment, Mr. Watkins was granted 25,000 Equity Participation Units (EPU) under the Tallgrass MLP GP, LLC 2013 Long-Term Incentive Plan. There are no family relationships, as defined in Item 401 of Regulation S-K, between Mr. Watkins and any director, executive officer or person nominated to be a director or executive officer of the General Partner. Mr. Watkins is not a party to any transaction that would require disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

TALLGRASS ENERGY PARTNERS, LP

By: Tallgrass MLP GP, LLC  
its general partner

Date: April 9, 2014

By: /s/ David G. Dehaemers, Jr.  
David G. Dehaemers, Jr.  
President and Chief Executive Officer