

ENERGY PARTNERS LTD  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**LEARY JOSEPH T**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O ENERGY PARTNERS,  
LTD., 201 ST. CHARLES AVENUE**

(Street)

**NEW ORLEANS, LA 70170**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ENERGY PARTNERS LTD [EPL]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**08/21/2007**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Executive VP and CFO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount  | (D) | Price |

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

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3)                            | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and<br>5) | Code | V | (A)     | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount of<br>Number of<br>Shares |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------|---|---------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Phantom<br>Stock <u>(1)</u>           | <u>(2)</u>                         | 08/21/2007       |            |   | A    |   | 30,000  |     | <u>(3)</u>          | <u>(3)</u>         | Common<br>Stock | 30,000                           |
| Stock<br>Options<br>(Right to<br>buy) | \$ 13.26                           | 08/21/2007       |            |   | A    |   | 100,000 |     | <u>(5)</u>          | 08/21/2017         | Common<br>Stock | 100,000                          |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                      |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer              | Other |
| LEARY JOSEPH T<br>C/O ENERGY PARTNERS, LTD.<br>201 ST. CHARLES AVENUE<br>NEW ORLEANS, LA 70170 |               |           | Executive VP and CFO |       |

## Signatures

John H. Peper, Attorney  
in Fact 08/22/2007

        \*\*Signature of Reporting Person                      Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(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).
- (5) The Nonqualified Stock Options become exercisable in thirds over a period of three years from the date of the award.
- (1) Cash-Settled Restricted Share Units, with payment based on the Fair Market Value of a share of Company Common Stock on the applicable vesting date.
- (4) Not applicable
- (2) 1 for 1
- (3) The Cash-Settled Restricted Share Units become vested on August 21, 2010.

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