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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* <u>Masters William B</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES INC</u> [SPN] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | | |
|---|---------------|----------------|---|--|--|---------------|--|--|
| 601 POYDRAS STREET SUITE 2400 | | (| 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/28/2012 | | Executive VP & General Counsel | | | |
| (Street) NEW ORLEANS (City) | LA (State) | 70130 (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) X | vidual or Joint/Group Filin Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More tha Person | orting 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. Transa Code (8) | | 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 Price Tra | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1150.4) | |
| Common Stock | 12/28/2012 | | F ⁽¹⁾ | | 1,876 | D | \$20.11 | 48,443 ⁽²⁾ | D | |

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

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| 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) | | 5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5 | ative rities ired osed | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | mount of ecurities Security Inderlying erivative ecurity (Instr. 5) ecurity (Instr. 3 | | Ownership Form: | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares withheld to cover taxes due upon the vesting of restricted stock.

2. Includes 2,005 shares of common stock purchased through the company's employee stock purchase plan as of December 31, 2012.

William B. Masters

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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