FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Add Young Dan		2. Date of Even Requiring State (Month/Day/Yea 09/29/2004	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES INC [ SPN ]						
(Last) (First) (Middle)			(Ch		Relationship of Reporting Person (Check all applicable)     Director		on(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
(Street)						Officer (give title below)  Executive Vice Pre	Other (spec below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person	
HARVEY LA 70058							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)				Nature of Indirect nstr. 5)	ture of Indirect Beneficial Ownership . 5)	
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securiti Underlying Derivative Security		(Instr. 4) Conve		ise Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivativ Security	/e or Indirect	
Options (right to buy)			01/17/2003 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/07/2012	: (	Common Stock	15,000 8.35 D		D	
Options (right to buy)		06/06/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	06/06/2012	(	Common Stock	10,000 9.46		D		
Options (right to buy)			03/19/2004 <sup>(3)</sup>	03/19/2013		Common Stock	10,000	8.77	D	
Options (right to buy)		12/31/2004	08/10/2014	(	Common Stock	100,000	10.66	5 D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1.5,000 options became exercisable on 1/17/04, and 5,000 options will become exercisable on 1/7/05.
- $2.\ 3,333\ options\ became\ exercisable\ on\ 6/6/04\ ,\ and\ 3,333\ options\ will\ become\ exercisable\ on\ 6/6/05.$
- $3.\ 3,333\ options\ will\ become\ exercisable\ on\ 3/19/2005,\ and\ 3,333\ options\ will\ become\ exercisable\ on\ 3/19/2006.$

/s/ William B. Masters for Danny R. Young 10/06/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

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## **POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints William B. Masters, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Superior Energy Services, Inc. ("Superior"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder:
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 and timely file such form with the United States Securities Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming, nor is Superior assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by Superior, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004.

/s/ Danny R. Young
Danny R. Young