FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Last) (First) (Middle) 601 POYDRAS STREET				4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% O		(Mo	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
(Street) NEW ORLEANS	LA	70130	-		X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Executive Vice President			Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     Y Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)								
			Table I - No	n-Deriva	tive Securities Beneficially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Ins	5)	ture of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.			
Common Stock					28,744	D				
Common Stock					1,000	I	By S	By Spouse		
					ve Securities Beneficially Ov ants, options, convertible s					
Expiratio (Month/D		2. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/)	ate	Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Co		Conversion or Exercise	(D) or	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			
Options (right to	buy)		12/31/2004	08/10/2014	Common Stock	37,500	10.66	D		
Options (right to	buy)		06/24/2005	06/24/2015	Common Stock	26,000	17.46	D		
Options (right to	buy)		02/23/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/23/2016	Common Stock	10,400	24.99	D		
Options (right to	buy)		12/31/2007 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/14/2016	Common Stock	5,780	35.69	D		
Options (right to	buy)		12/31/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/06/2017	Common Stock	7,627	35.84	D		
Options (right to	buy)		12/31/2009 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/04/2018	Common Stock	19,100	12.86	D		
Options (right to										
17:11 ( 8 1)	buy)		12/31/2010 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/10/2019	Common Stock	12,825	20.3	D		
Options (right to			12/31/2010 <sup>(1)</sup> 04/01/2011 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/10/2019 04/01/2020		12,825 32,000	20.3	D D		
1 1	buy)				Common Stock					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The stock options are exercisable in 1/3 increments beginning the date indicated and ending on the second anniversary thereof.

/s/ William B. Masters on behalf of 02/14/2012 Gregory A. Rosenstein

\*\* 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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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of William B. Masters and Kelly C. Simoneaux, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
- (2) 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;
- (3) 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
- 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 attorneys-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 attorneys-in-fact, or any 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 attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are 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 27th day of January 2012.

/s/ Gregory A. Rosenstein Gregory A. Rosenstein