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* RALLS W MATT | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SUPERIOR ENERGY SERVICES INC [SPN | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | | |
|---|--|--|---|-------|---|-----------|--|---------------------|--|--|-----------------|---|--|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| KALLS | O VV IVIAI | <u></u> | | _ - | | | | | | | | | X | Director Officer (c | ive title | | 10% Ow Other (s | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 1001 LOUISIANA STREET, SUITE 2900 | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2016 | | | | | | | | | below) | | | below) | | |
| (Street) | ON T | X | 77002 | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | Indivine) | X Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| (City) | (S | itate) | (Zip) | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | | | ng Person | | | | | |
| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans. Date (Month/I | | | е | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea | | Transaction Code (Instr. | | I. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | d 5) | | rities Forn ficially (D) o ed Following (I) (Ir rted saction(s) | | Direct Indirect Etr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | / A | Amount (A) or (D) | | Price | : | | | Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and | | | |
| | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 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) | | ransaction Derivative Code (Instr. Securities | | Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Derivative | | | Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | | iration e | Title | Amount Number Shares | | | (Instr. 4) | | | | |
| Deferred Stock Units | (1) | 01/01/2016 | | A | | 2,134.373 | | (2) | | (2) | Common Stock | 2,134.3 | 373 | (1) | 6,839.0 | 209 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. In accordance with the Issuer's Directors Deferred Compensation Plan, Mr. Ralls elected to defer his annual retainer payments into deferred stock units. The reported transaction represents the deferred stock units granted in lieu of the quarterly cash retainer payment. Each deferred stock unit represents the right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.

2. The deferred stock units are vested immediately, but will be paid out according to Mr. Ralls' deferral election.

/s/ William B. Masters, on behalf of W. Matt Ralls, 01/05/2016 pursuant to a power of attorney

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- ** 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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